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RAISERS OF BIG FOLK FUND TO TELL ITS USE

Legislative Committee Summons
N. W. McLeod and E. S. Lewis,
Who Collected \$25,000, to Testify
Friday Afternoon.

RECORDER ASKED TO SHOW EXPENSE AFFIDAVITS.

Stockyards Investigators Meet to
Hear Testimony of Former Attorney-General Crow About
Bridge Arbitrary.

A summons for "Col. Ed" Butler to appear before the State Senate committee which will re-convene at the Southern Hotel Saturday afternoon to resume its inquiry into the sources and uses of campaign funds at the last election, was issued Friday.

It is expected that "Col. Ed" will be asked interesting questions concerning the disposition he made of the \$3500 which James Campbell, his friend, testified, at the last sitting of the committee, he gave Butler to be used for political purposes.

Mr. Campbell said he did not know what Mr. Butler put the money to.

A summons to appear before the same committee was served on Edwards Whitaker, a prominent banker and broker, Friday. At the previous sitting an effort was made to secure the attendance of Mr. Whitaker, but he was out of the city.

House Committee.
The investigating committee appointed by the House of Representatives to investigate campaign contributions organized at the St. James Hotel at 10 o'clock Friday morning and directed Michael Lang, its sergeant-at-arms, to serve subpoenas on the members of the committee.

The committee then adjourned to 1:30. The subpoena issued for Young directs him to furnish the committee certified copies of the reports of both the Democratic and Republican state committees for the last campaign.

The Republican members of the committee wish to ask questions concerning the campaign, and the committee will be respectively president and treasurer of a folk club which raised \$25,000 to aid in securing his nomination, about details of the club finances.

The Democratic members of the committee say they are not interested in this subject. They say they will have their inning when the Republican members conclude.

At the Southern Hotel and the St. James Hotel there are three groups of investigators, all from the Legislature.

Numerous sergeants-at-arms and assistants-at-arms hurried through corridors, reporting, getting new orders and hurrying away again with fresh batches of subpoenas for men who are to be investigated.

The investigators are one committee from the House, with a majority of Republican members, to investigate the alleged use of federal patronage in the last state campaign; one committee from the Senate to investigate the use of police and other powers in raiding the munitions of war for the campaign; and one committee from both the Senate and House to investigate alleged discrimination in stockyard charges and the entire subject of the bridge arbitrary.

The House committee was the first to begin work Friday at the St. James Hotel. Dr. James T. Stewart, a Republican of Warren County, is chairman; the other Republican members are Kleinschmidt of Jefferson County and Harrington of Adair County. The Democrats are Conkling of Carroll County and Simmons of Shelby County.

Its investigation concerns chiefly the use of postmasterhips in the November campaign.

The Democrats are in the minority on the committee, but are recognized as of sufficient strength to make a fight of themselves. So there is an anticipation of very sessions. The committee will meet Fridays and Saturdays for several weeks.

Crow a Witness.

The joint committee which will inquire further into the question of stockyard charges and the bridge arbitrary has already held one meeting here.

It will convene again at 9 o'clock Monday morning, and one of the first witnesses will be former Attorney-General Crow, who instituted proceedings for the forfeiture of the charter of the Merchants' Bridge and carried the case into the United States Supreme Court, will be questioned exhaustively on the subject of the bridge arbitrary.

The Senate committee has also held a previous session here, and brought out some interesting facts concerning the sources and disposition of state election campaign funds. It will meet again Saturday at 10 o'clock, and it is expected that Edwards Whitaker, who was out of town when the committee tried to subpoena him last Friday, John Scullin, who, Franklin Per is believed, made a cash contribution of \$100 to the Republican state campaign last fall, and August A. Butch will be early witnesses. Thomas Kay Niedringhaus may also be called to testify.

Woman Dies in Hotel Fire.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—One woman died and 15 men and women were injured in a fire which damaged the Hotel Windsor early today. The woman was about 50 years of age and was identified. The others who were injured are not yet identified.

A "LITTLE" COLD WAVE COMING

Fifteen Degrees Above Zero Expected as Minimum Temperature Tonight.

A bit of a cool weather, which is expected to cause a 10-degree drop in temperature, is looked for during the afternoon, but St. Louisans are not expected to pay much attention to it. There is no indication that there will be snow or other disagreeable features connected with it. The forecast for tonight and Saturday is: "Fair; no decided change in temperature. Minimum temperature about 15 degrees above zero."

THE WEATHER MY LITTLE TOP COAT TODAY!



The colder weather is coming down from Montana and reached northern Kansas this morning. Another cold wave is over the lake regions this morning. The general conditions are fair and warmer.

The lowest temperature recorded in the past 12 hours was 23 degrees at 8 o'clock this morning. At 10 o'clock 24 degrees was recorded.

GIRL FELLE BY PURSE SNATCHER

Starts After Thief Who Jumps Fences, but Is Overtaken by Policemen.

Miss Mary Smith of 209 Howard street, a collector, was knocked down Friday afternoon because she related a purse snatcher who attacked her on Washington avenue.

Miss Smith was walking on that street between Compton and Cardinal avenues, when a man grabbed her purse. She held on to it and struck the man in the face with her left hand. He jerked the purse away from her and knocked her down and started to run.

She regained her feet and started in pursuit of him and was joined by Policemen Curry and Nally. The man jumped fences and gained an alley, but the police men overtook him there and arrested him. He said he was Henry Clock of 1440 E. 12th street. The purse was not found on him and he denied he was the man who had snatched Miss Smith's purse, but she identified him as the thief.

The purse was found later where it had been thrown, but \$10 which it had contained was gone. The money was not found on Clock.

Harvey Desmore, who was standing near when Miss Smith's purse was snatched, and ran when Clock ran, was also arrested.

MAYOR WAITS ON THE PETITIONS

Not Ready Yet to Announce Position Relative to Candidacy for Renomination.

Mayor Rolla Wells will not announce his position relative to being a candidate for the nomination to succeed himself until after he has received the petition which is being circulated urging him to again be a candidate.

He was asked Friday if he was ready to make known his position, and said he would not make any statement at this time because he understood some friends of his were circulating a petition which was to be presented to him and due deference to them required that he defer announcement of any kind until after it had been received.

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LEGISLATORS DENY FAVORING RACE BETTING

Attempt of Friends of Breeders' Law to Create Impression That the Democratic Leaders Are With Them Fails.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 17.—The apparent victory in the House of Representatives of the race-track lobby last night when, with barely a quorum present, action on the substitute bill for the breeders' law, prohibiting bookmaking and pool-selling, was deferred until Feb. 21, was the subject of lively discussion in the House today.

The motion for postponing action on the bill was made by Representative Conklin and was railroaded through, while many opponents of the bill were absent.

Representative Whitehead of Monroe wanted to know this morning if it was true that a quorum was not present when action on the bill was deferred.

Assemblyman Birch of Audrain wanted similar information. He declared that no one was authorized to use his name or represent him as an advocate of the breeders' law. He said he proposed to vote in accordance with the best sentiment of the people of Missouri.

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GRAND DUKE SERGIUS, UNCLE OF CZAR, BLOWN UP WITH BOMB

Czar's Uncle Who Fell Victim
Today to Bomb of an Assassin



GRAND DUKE SERGIUS.

COMFORTS SHOWERED ON DAINY TRIPLETS BORN IN DIRE WANT

Women Sympathizers Bring to Mrs. Eckman's Cherubs. Costly Dresses, Blankets Enough for Arctic Voyage, and Money, Too—Blind Peddler Was Widow's Support.

All the world loves a baby, the wise old stork, who brought three to the poor home of Mrs. Annie Eckman, knew. Friday men and women crowded the small room where the triplets lie, snug in snowy blankets, bringing clothes, and money to the children, who, when they were born Wednesday, were without sufficient clothing to keep them warm.

Women came early Friday morning bringing suit and baskets of thick warm clothing, which had once formed the layette of babies born to riches and happier homes.

Men came bringing money, and a promise to Mrs. Eckman that her three babies should not want food.

The triplets, Louis, Lucille and Lewellyn, gurgled their content, each clasping a bottle of warm milk.

Mrs. Eckman is a widow, whose husband, John Eckman, died at Festus, Mo., seven months ago. The little money that he left was spent for the funeral. Mrs. Eckman and her 4-year-old son, Freddy, came to St. Louis and she found the best employment she could—keeping house for blind George Turner, the afflicted peddler, who stands each day at Third street and Washington avenue.

Turner has two children and rents two small rooms in the rear of 108 North Sixth street. He has made little money this winter, he says, and the rent is \$2.50 a month.

He gave Mrs. Eckman food for herself and boy and when he could, a little money. When the stork came Wednesday his visit was unexpected and she had not been able to provide clothing for one baby. Three came, Louis was born at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, his sister came six hours later and Lewellyn was born at 10 o'clock in the evening.

Mother in Despair.
The mother was in despair. What could she do? Her own illness was forgotten in the poignant sorrow that she felt realizing that her babies could not be clothed.

Neighbors, who who light the wolf as hard as she had done, heard of her plight. Their work was laid aside. Their own struggle with want was forgotten. From home and rooms as poor as the one in which the babies waited they came, bringing whatever they could.

One brought milk. Another a bottle which her own baby had used.

There was three complete baby layettes. The donor scarcely saw the clothing she had brought. Her eyes were wet. The clothing had been worn a little. Warm and fine were the flannels, and the white gowns were adorned with costly lace.

One could guarantee that the giver had made them, for a level baby of her own. Her face was sad and it was said that God had called her name before the clothing was made.

STRONGEST SUPPORTER OF DESPOTISM IN RUSSIA FALLS VICTIM TO AN ASSASSIN WHILE DRIVING IN STREET OF MOSCOW—EXPLOSIVE HURLED UNDER ARISTOCRAT'S CARRIAGE FROM PASSING CAB.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 17.—The Grand Duke Sergius, the Czar's uncle, was assassinated in front of the Moscow law courts at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

A bomb was thrown under the grand duke's carriage. A terrific explosion followed and Sergius was instantly killed. His head was torn off and his body frightfully mangled.

The grand duke's coachman was so badly burned by the explosion that he died on the way to the hospital. The carriage was demolished, only the four wheels remaining. The horses were unhurt and bolted.

The murderers were arrested, one of them badly injured.

"I don't care; I've done my job," said the wounded man coolly.

The grand duke was driving, at the time of his death, from the Nicholas palace to the Kremlin, where he lives at present. His carriage, as it passed through the senate quarter, was followed by two cab.

Just in front of the law courts a sleigh, in which were two men, drove suddenly in front of the carriage, forcing it to stop for an instant.

As the coachman drew up the bomb was hurled from one of the cabs. The explosion broke all the windows in the law courts. The report was heard even outside the city.

The Grand Duchess Elizabeth, the grand duke's widow, went at once to the scene of the assassination without even waiting to put on hat or cloak.

Sergius' death is said to have been decreed many weeks ago by the Terrorist party, who hated him for his reactionary tendencies and the severity of his rule while governor-general of Moscow.

Following the assassination the crowd made a demonstration against a number of students who had begun to scatter revolutionary literature. Scores of students were arrested. The police think they are responsible for the murder.

CZAR IS OVERCOME BY NEWS OF CRIME

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 17.—News of the assassination of the Grand Duke Sergius, received here by telephone within a few moments after his death, created a tremendous sensation. The Czar, it is said, is completely prostrated.

The grand duke has been regarded as the pillar of strength of the reactionary party. During the recent St. Petersburg riots though the Grand Duke Vladimir figured more prominently through his position as military commander, Sergius is said actually to have dictated the government's policy.

He has been frequently mentioned among those who would not be without claim to the throne in the event of the Czar's death without an heir, and had the present ruler's son come to the crown while still in his minority and Sergius still survived, the contest for the regency would have been between the latter and the Grand Duke Vladimir.

Sergius knew that he was condemned to death by the revolutionists last December and for a time exercised many precautions to protect himself. He was naturally fearless, however, and had gradually relaxed his vigilance.

Her pose held a world of motherly tenderness.

"Any one would be glad to have a sweet baby like this," she said softly, speaking half to herself.

Long and close she held the child. Held and fondled it till other women came to claim the privilege of womanhood, the right to pet the babies.

A knock on the door, another and another. "Are the triplets here?" each time in the Kremlin.

Soon five women and a man were crowded in the room where there was only room for the bed, the cradle and one chair.

Each brought baby clothes. Soft skirts and bands of the finest flannel, long embroidered skirts and dresses, slips white as the snow on the window sill, blue and pink little stockings small enough for fairies' feet, booties of yarn and kid, silk shawls and cunning little cloaks of material soft and costly.

There were blankets sufficient to prepare baby for an Arctic journey.

Mrs. Eckman was congratulated because her babies were so sweet, so healthy. Bills and coins were slipped in her hand.

Baby was long. The visitors paid little attention to anything save the three cherubs sleeping so quietly in the old baby wagon which is their cradle.

They crowded about the wagon. Whenever a baby would stir it was a signal for someone to take it in arms. Women crowded softly to them, kissed them and marveled at their good behavior.

Once Louis wailed. "Just like a boy baby," cried one woman who had brought a hamper of half worn clothing. Boys are always the most trouble," she said. And the council of mothers nodded approval.

Two five-dollar bills for Mrs. Eckman were sent to the Post-Dispatch Friday by "H. T. J." and a gentleman who did not give his name. They were delivered and she wishes to thank the donors through the Post-Dispatch.

The babies are all healthy and bid fair to thrive. Collectively they weigh nearly 22 pounds, which is divided about equally between them.

They have dark eyes and their faces are well formed. Their appetites have nothing to be desired in that way.

MURDERERS ARE ARRESTED, ONE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

Police Attribute Crime to Revolutionary Students and Scores Are Taken Into Custody—Dead Man Among Most Relentless Foes of Popular Government.

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Peace Near in the East.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch and New York World.
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PARIS, Feb. 17.—The air is filled with rumors of approaching peace between Russia and Japan. In apparent confirmation of these reports efforts have been made for the present at least, to find any part of the new Russian loan in this country. If peace is to come soon the Czar will need no more money.

From the head of the financial department of the Credit Lyonnais, which has the loan entirely in its hands, the Post-Dispatch correspondent receives the information that \$50,000,000 of Russian bonds which had been distributed among the bank's provincial branches, for sale, have been ordered back to Paris.

It is also learned on exceptional authority that the question of peace was formally considered by Emperor Nicholas and his ministers at the conference held at Thursday last. Though no particular peaceable conditions and terms were under consideration.

It is suggested in high quarters that some intimation of terms has reached the Russian government from Japan, although it is certain that it did not come through the regular diplomatic channels.

Following the repeated assertions that the far eastern struggle is near an end there has been a steady rise of late in the price of Russian securities.

Kuropatkin Is Accused.
ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 17.—Gen. Gripenburg, the Manchurian second army commander who left the field as a result of charges against him by Gen. Kuropatkin of disobedience of orders, arrived in St. Petersburg at midnight and will at once carry to the Czar his complaints against the leader of the Russian forces in the East.

"Gen. Kuropatkin ordered the advance," says Gen. Gripenburg, "with the condition that I should not go beyond Hekouai and Sandepa."

"I advanced, in accordance with instructions, and had victory in my grasp. I needed only reinforcements for my left flank, which was weak. For these I asked Gen. Kuropatkin, who refused, though he had 60 battalions at his disposal."

"For all this we held our ground against repeated assaults by the enemy. Had the commander listened to me we could have crushed them. I begged him again for more men and was again refused."

"It is impossible for me to describe the impression produced on me by this refusal. I was afraid to communicate the news to my victorious army. The next day I handed in my report to the commander-in-chief, demanding my relief."

TO INVESTIGATE GOVERNOR
CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 17.—After a severe arraignment of Gov. White by Senator Caldwell, who demanded the senator's impeachment, the Senate adopted a resolution today to investigate the governor, and appointed a committee to hold

DECLARES INNOCENCE TO LAST

Eli Bugg, Colored Murderer, Is Hanged for Crime Which He Denied With Dying Breath.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

MOUND CITY, Ill., Feb. 17.—Eli Bugg, colored, was executed in the jail yard in this city today at 10 o'clock. About 500 people witnessed the affair by invitation of Sheriff Jim Weaver. The man dropped six feet when the sheriff sprung the trap, and his neck was broken. He declared that he was innocent of the Mathis murder, for which he was executed.

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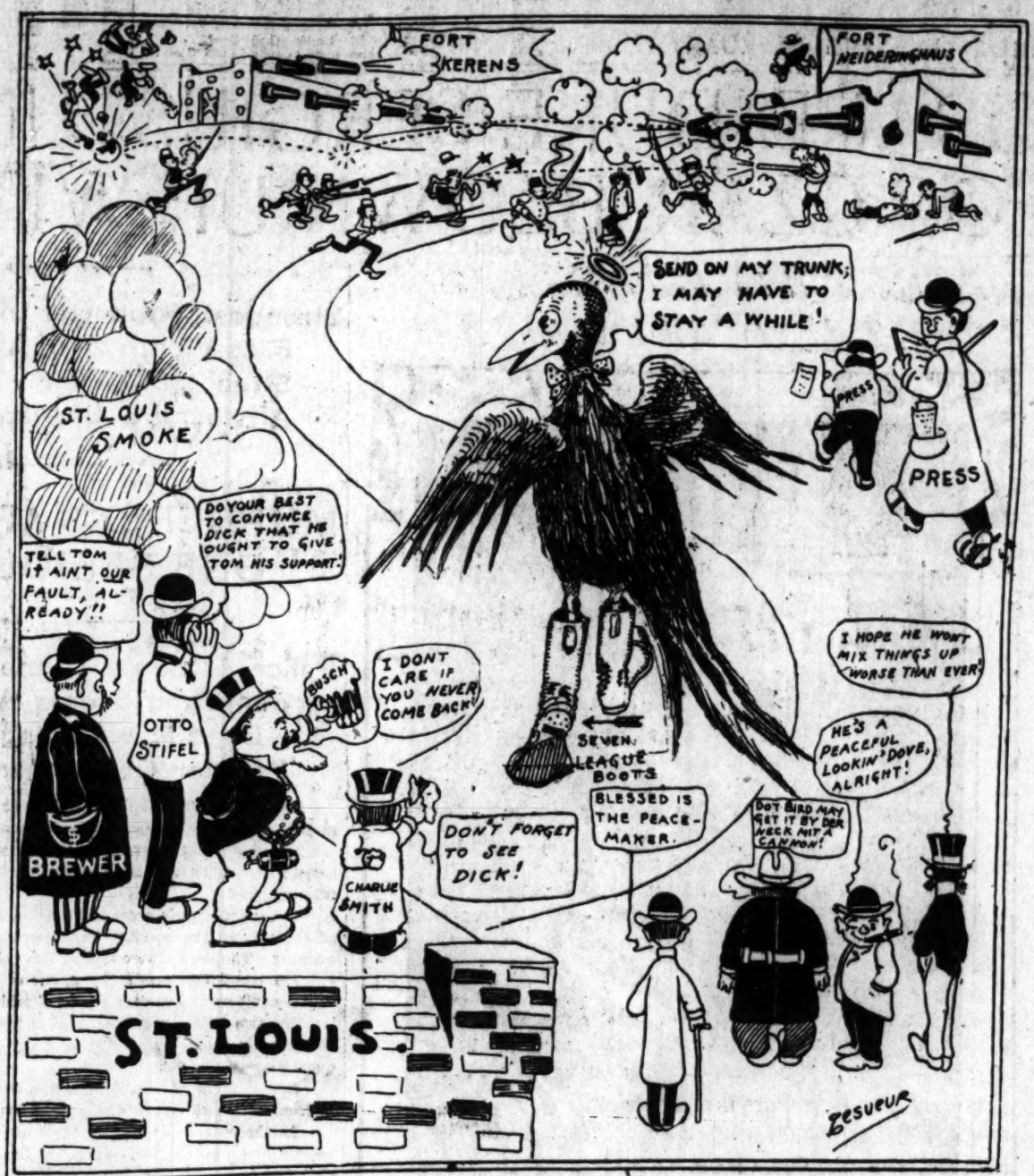
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The Dove of Peace Starts for Jefferson City to Settle the Senatorial War



NO. 1.

CHECK WAS ON THE WRONG BANK

Mrs. Harriet LeBar Was Acquitted of Forgery Charge in Washington.

Mrs. Harriet E. LeBar, who lives in St. Louis County, between Clayton and Kirkwood, returned to St. Louis Friday morning from Washington, D. C., where she was acquitted of the charge of forgery preferred against her by a Washington attorney whom she had employed to sell some stock which she owned in a Washington street railway company. In paying him his fee of \$50 Mrs. LeBar sent the attorney a check originally printed for another bank, but she claims that she marked out the name of this bank and substituted that of her own. The check was returned unpaid, and Mrs. LeBar states, she proved in the trial in Washington that the check had never been presented to her own bank, and that she had a balance of \$170 in this bank when the check was drawn. Convincing the jury of these facts, she was acquitted. Mrs. LeBar was recently arraigned in the Court of Criminal Correction in this city, charged with having attempted to swindle a book concern by purchasing books on the representation that she was a woman of wealth, but she was also acquitted of this charge. She was born in St. Louis and has lived in the city and county all her life.

Snappy styles in Women's Manhattan Special \$2.50 shoes, now \$2.50 at Boehmer's, 410 N. Broadway.

GIRLS ATTACK POLICE WITH SNOWBALLS, TRYING TO RESCUE PRISONER

Powdered Into "Symphony in Blue and White" He Kept Off Army of 200 With Drawn Revolver, but Couldn't Dodge Fusillade.

Like the Revolutionary boys of Boston who defied a British general in their snow forts on Boston Common with a chilling resistance, 200 girls employed at the Friedman Bros. shoe factory, 3419 Locust street, attacked Thursday afternoon in an attempt to rescue Jacob Levy, a fellow factory worker, whom the policeman had arrested and was about to take to the Manchester avenue police station.

Levy and Charles Katz, both employed in the same department in the Friedman Bros. shoe factory, had a quarrel early in the day. They agreed to meet after the day's work was done and fight it out.

Consequently, as soon as the factory whistles blew and the 600 employees began to make their way out of the building, Levy and Katz met in the alley and the fight began.

According to the story told by witnesses, Katz was getting the best of Levy when the latter drew a shoemaker's knife and stabbed his antagonist under the left arm-pit.

The spectators interfered at once, and Katz was taken to a nearby physician's office, where his wound was treated. Policeman Griffin placed Levy under arrest.

When he started through a crowd of girls to the patrol box at Channing avenue and Locust street with the prisoner the air became suddenly thick with snowballs, all flying in the direction of the policeman's helmet and blue-clad form, many of them striking him and breaking over him until he became a "symphony in blue and white."

It was the girls. They had organized themselves into an assaulting force, each springing for the nearest pile of snow, making up snowballs and opening fire.

Contrary to the belief that no feminine arm can throw straight, the policeman declares these girls proved to be expert shots, keeping him under a continual shower of "the beautiful."

They were encouraged by the men and boys with them, and finally, Policeman Griffin found it necessary to draw his revolver and threaten the girls with it.

Then, disappointed, but cheering, the girls dispersed to their homes.

Levy is said to be somewhat injured with intent to kill. He is 33 years old and Katz is 22, both unmarried.

PARENTS PROSECUTE CHILD

Harry Beda Is Sent to the Reform School for Theft of Twenty-Five Cents.

Harry Beda, aged 11, was sentenced to an indefinite term in the reform school Friday morning by Judge Withrow of the Juvenile court upon conviction of a charge brought by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beda, of 1115 North Ninth street, of stealing 25 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Beda testified that the boy was beyond their control and the charge of stealing the money from his mother's purse was but one instance. They testified that while they kept him in the Shields school he was the source of much annoyance to the teachers and constant complaints were received by his parents.

SIGN PARCEL POST TREATY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—A parcel post treaty between this government and Great Britain was today signed by President Roosevelt, Secretary Hay and Postmaster-General Wynne. It had already been signed by the British officials, and will take effect April 1.

Methodist Club Banquet.

A banquet will be given Monday night at 8 o'clock at the Buckingham Club by the Methodist Club of St. Louis. John J. Tigert, D. D., of Nashville and book editor of the M. E. Church South, will make an address on the Constitutional Differences of the Two American Methodisms.

The Methodist Club meets about five times a year. It was started by Rev. Dr. Young, the object being to promote Christian fellowship and of common Methodism. Manford Crawford is president, H. H. Humphrey, first vice-president, M. D. Lewis, second vice-president, William Baker, secretary, Frank P. Hays, treasurer.

Manhattan Special \$2.50 Frank shoes for Women, now \$2.50 at Boehmer's, 410 N. Broadway.

DOVE OF PEACE RESTS UNEASY ON EQUITABLE

Antagonism of Factions Not Eliminated by Re-Election of All Officers and Decision Favoring Mutualization.

BOTH SIDES CLAIM TO HAVE ADVANTAGE.

Announcement Made by Mme. Rejane Before Departure for France That Hyde Will Build Theater for French Drama.

By Leased Wire From the New York Bureau of the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—The dove of peace has not a very firm footing at the Equitable Life building. While the action of the directors in re-electing both Mr. Hyde and Mr. Alexander and deciding on mutualization was declared to end all internal strife in the company, the war will go on as vigorously as ever until either Mr. Hyde or Mr. Alexander is forced out of the company.

That the bitterness on each side was not wiped out by the action of the directors is shown by statements by members of the contending factions. Each says the other was ignominiously defeated and will soon cease to be a factor of importance in the affairs of the company.

One interesting incident, in keeping with the gossip that has attached itself to this row, was the French actress Rejane's announcement that Mr. Hyde is to build her a theater here for French plays. Another bitterly resented phase of the row was uncovered today when a statement was given out by Mr. Hyde, showing the evil effects, from his point of view, of certain forms of life insurance mutualization, and attacking George W. Perkins, partner of J. P. Morgan and vice-president of the New York Life. Members of the Hyde faction say the New York Life was behind the movement to oust Mr. Hyde from the Equitable.

By agreement none of the executive heads of the Equitable will resign because of the re-election of Mr. Hyde. Thirty-four of these men, constituting practically the entire directing force of the Equitable, had signed an agreement declaring that they would resign if Mr. Hyde was re-elected.

Think Hyde's Power Ended.

In view of the decision to mutualize the company these men regard the powers possessed by Mr. Hyde, through ownership of a majority of the stock of the company, to be at an end.

If the Hyde forces succeed in putting

ACTION TAKEN BY THE EQUITABLE DIRECTORS.

1. As effort to defeat the re-election of President Alexander was defeated by a vote of 20 to 11, Mr. Alexander was re-elected unanimously, with the single exception of a negative vote cast by Edward H. Harriman.
2. James H. Hyde was re-elected first vice-president of the company.
3. It was decided to mutualize the Equitable Life and a committee of seven was appointed to draft a plan and report back to the directors not later than April 12.
4. All of the present officers of the company were re-elected.
5. James H. Hyde was elected chairman of both the executive and finance committees. Jacob H. Schiff, against whom a protest had been made as a member of the finance committee, was re-elected a member of that committee.

through their schemes of mutualization, however, they believe they will be entrenched for all time, as by it stockholders are to be authorized to elect 30 directors and policy holders 22. This plan is opposed by the Alexander forces who will have a counter plan.

A committee of directors is to report a plan of mutualization April 12. Both sides claim a majority of this committee.

On the face of things at yesterday's meeting of directors the Hyde men seem to have been worsted. Mr. Hyde tried to elect E. H. Harriman, head of the Union & Southern Pacific companies, to the presidency of the Equitable company. They went into the meeting primed for it. Finding that they would be overwhelmingly defeated they abandoned the plan and substituted a motion that the presidency be left vacant, and that only two, instead of four, vice-presidents be elected. The two men that they proposed to re-elect were James H. Hyde and Gage E. Tarbell, second vice-president of the company. This plan was defeated. Had it succeeded Mr. Hyde, as first vice-president of the company, would practically have been its president.

The Alexander people declare that the decision to mutualize the company was the one great thing they had been working for. They assert that the re-election of Mr. Alexander, in view of the determined efforts made by the Hyde forces to oust him, was a great victory in itself. The Hyde faction, on the other hand, declare their triumph was complete. They assert they control the special committee of seven which is to work out the plan for mutualizing the company, and that the plan will be one which will be satisfactory to the Hyde forces in every respect. They also point to the fact that Mr. Hyde was elected chairman of both the executive and finance committees. The chairmanship of the executive committee in a large corporation like the Equitable is usually held by its president.

Snappy styles of the Boehmer Special Extra Quality \$2.50 shoes for men, now \$2.50 at Boehmer's, 410 N. Broadway.

20,000 in Parade, One Vehicle.

Representatives from 22 parishes and from many Catholic societies in St. Louis will meet Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the Lindell Hotel to complete arrangements for the St. Patrick's day parade of the Irish Catholic Brotherhood. Rev. Father Dempsey estimates that there will be at least 20,000 persons in the parade. This year there will be only one vehicle for each parish. At a meeting in Knights of Father Mathew Hall, 209 Washington avenue, Sunday evening, the line of march will probably be announced.

Burnett's Extract of Vanilla Imparts a superior delicacy of flavor, try it, see it.

PHONE FAILED TO SAVE ART WORKS

Fire in Gerhard Sisters' Photograph Studio Wrecks Valuable Negatives.

WORLD'S FAIR VIEWS GONE.

Mamie Gerhard Called Up Department to Hurry to Aid—\$10,000 Estimated Loss.

Fire originated in the printing room of the Gerhard sisters' photographic studio at 515 Olive street from an overheated stove at 8 o'clock Friday morning, wrecked the workrooms of the studio and destroyed negatives of the Gerhard collection of World's Fair photographs. Miss Mamie Gerhard said this collection numbered about 30 pictures on plates, 15 by 22 inches and she valued them at \$10,000. The collection included aside from pictures of all the main buildings at the Fair, pictures of the unique exhibits and group photos of nearly every race represented in the anthropological exhibit. The collection was one of the most complete in existence aside from that of the official photographers.

Other negatives and pictures which had commercial value aside from a number having special value to collectors were destroyed. Not until the contents of the studio is thoroughly overhauled can the loss be stated with any accuracy.

The fire started in the printing room soon after the porter had started a fire in the stove there. It was discovered by one of the girls employed in the workrooms after the ceiling was blazing.

Miss Mamie Gerhard, one of the proprietors, telephoned from the office to salvage corps No. 4, but owing to confusion of numbers the wagon did not arrive promptly and a fire alarm was turned in.

By the time the firemen arrived the material in the upper rooms was beyond saving and the fire was well under way.

Miss Mamie Gerhard remained in the studio until the firemen arrived, but was able to save but few of the treasures in sight. Several girls who were employed in the workrooms were in the building but all escaped. The damage to the building is estimated at \$150.

Headache and Neuritis From Cold.

Laxative Bromo Quinine, the world-wide Cold and Grip remedy, removes the cause. Call for the full name and look for signature of E. W. Brown, M.D.

Morning Choral Chances Date.

A settlement of the difficulties arising from conflicting dates has been reached by the Morning Choral Club and the Choral-Symphony Society and the board of the former has waived its right to the Odéon on the morning of April 22, and consented to change the date of its concert to April 23. The Morning Choral Club had announced its concert for Monday morning and the Symphony for that evening. The Symphony contract with the Odéon called for the exclusive use of the house for the day, but the Morning Choral Club had waived its right and a settlement was effected out of the court.

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MEN'S SHIRTS
55c

THE GLOBE'S EXTRAORDINARY SHIRT SALE!

A fortunate circumstance secured for us 150 dozen "seconds" of these famous Shirts. The naked eye can discern no imperfections, and they are of the best quality French Silk Mixed Madras, English Oxfords and Garner's Percales—an exquisite variety—fancy designs and all white—plain and pleated fronts—cuffs attached or detached—sizes 14 to 19—

on sale tomorrow, 6 for 3.00, or each.....

MEN'S 2.00 and 3.00
MEN'S 3.50 AND 4.00

HATS

1.50

SHOES!

2.10

SWELL SAMPLES!
Comprising all the up-to-date shapes of Stiff and Soft Hats, "Knox," "Stetson" and others—also a number of new Spring Modes, choice of these 2.00 and 3.00 samples, tomorrow...

1.50
2.10

BEAUTIES! Patent Leather, vici kid, velour and box calf, single or double sole, Good-year welts; also 50 pairs of "WALK-OVERS" 3.50 and \$4 values, tomorrow

40c
SALE OF men's and boys' 1.00 Winter Caps, all styles, tomorrow.

40c
OPEN SATURDAY NIGHT TILL 12.

LADIES' SHOES!

Finest Patent Leather or fine vici kid and hand-turned soles—3.50 and 4.00 shoes, tomorrow.

2.00

FIRE BRIGADE SAVES LAUNCH D'ARTIGNAN

Flames in Boiler Boom Do \$400
Damage to Machinery of
River Craft.

BLAZE FROM THAWING PIPES

World's Fair Notables Made Trips
on It During Last
Summer.

The steam launch D'Artignan, owned by Rohan Bros., was damaged by fire Friday morning at her mooring, foot of Walnut street. The extent of the damage, according to John A. Rohan, will amount to about \$400, with no insurance. The fire occurred in the boiler room, and was caused by an effort to thaw out some frozen pipes. Only the boiler room and pilot house were burned, and no injury of any kind was done to the machinery.

The D'Artignan will be immediately repaired and put in order for the approaching season.

Prompt action of the fire brigade saved the little vessel from total destruction. It is the launch's second season on the river, having been built in St. Louis by Ben Embree, 1901. She was quite busy during the World's Fair and made several excursions on the river with notables from Europe.

The commissioners from Egypt made a trip on her as far as Alton, and decided that it was as enjoyable as one on their own majestic Nile. The craft can easily accommodate 50 persons, and it has an average speed of 16 knots.

The launch is 55 feet long, 12-foot beam, 12-foot draft, has a high-pressure double engine, with a 12-horsepower boiler. James U. Rohan is captain and his brother, John A., is pilot. It is the intention of the owners to make several long trips on the river this year.

The boat was christened D'Artignan from the fact that John A. Rohan is a great admirer of the works of Dumas, and the name of the "Three Musketeers" holds a high place in his estimation.

READS THE BOOK

"The Road to Wellville" Pointed the Way.

Down at Hot Springs, Ark., the visitors have all sorts of complaints, but it is a subject of remark that the great majority of them have some trouble with stomach and bowels. This may be partly attributed to the heavy medicines.

Naturally, under the conditions, the question of food is very prominent.

A young man states that he had suffered for nine years from stomach and bowel trouble, had two operations which did not cure, and was at last threatened with appendicitis.

He went to Hot Springs for rheumatism, and his stomach trouble got worse. One day at breakfast the waiter, knowing his condition, suggested, he try Grape-Nuts and cream, which he did, and found the food agreed with him perfectly.

After the second day he began to sleep peacefully at night, different from his sleep for years. The perfect digestion of the food quieted his nervous system and made sleep possible.

"The next morning I was astonished to find my condition of constipation and disappearance. I could not believe it, so after suffering for so many years, then I took more interest in the food, read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," and started following the simple directions.

I have met with such results that in the last five weeks I have gained eight pounds in spite of hot baths, which take away the flesh from anyone.

"A friend of mine has been entirely cured of a bad case of indigestion and stomach trouble by using Grape-Nuts Food and cream alone for breakfast.

"There is one thing in particular—I have noticed a great change in my mental condition. Formerly I could hardly remember anything, and now the mind seems unusually active and relative. I can memorize practically anything I desire." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

INDIGESTION.

Eupesia
TABLETS

WILL POSITIVELY CURE INDIGESTION,
EVEN IN ITS WORST STAGE.

Letters From the Afflicted Who Have Been
Cured Offer the Most Convincing Evidence of the Great Merit.

Don't experiment with so-called dyspepsia cures. Your doctor and your druggist will both tell you that the formula under which EUPESIA TABLETS is prepared is the simplest, most reliable and surest remedy ever offered to the general public for the cure of indigestion, loss of appetite, bloated stomach, heartburn, sleeplessness, constipation, acid fermentation and all other accompanying ailments. EUPESIA TABLETS invigorate and restore weakened digestive functions, thus making it impossible for disease to lay hold on you. Their timely aid removes the necessity of calling a physician for the many little ills that beset mankind.

Read what prominent people say about Eupesia Tablets:

"My husband's wife has been troubled with indigestion, and was not with constant disappointment from physicians' prescriptions and other famous dyspepsia remedies. Eupesia Tablets proved, upon use, a most remarkable remedy, and after taking only a few of them she was free of all her troubles."

Dr. J. H. Thompson, M.D., writes:
"I must say that I have found Eupesia Tablets to be the best remedy for stomach trouble that I have ever tried. I am an old man (79 years) and have tried many kinds of medicine and so-called stomach remedies, but Eupesia Tablets have given me greater relief than any of them."

A case of ten years' standing cured:
"Ten years I have had constant trouble of the stomach kind. I could not eat anything and lived mostly on water. I was so weak that I could not even get up and when I did I suffered from dizziness. I was a total wreck and could not do anything. I was told to take Eupesia Tablets and I did. I feel better now and stronger and I can walk ten miles without any trouble. I am now a healthy man. I am a doctor in St. Louis, and I can give thousands of names of men and all I have to say is that Eupesia Tablets are the best remedy for stomach trouble."

Dr. J. H. Thompson, M.D., writes:
"I have treated and treated for 25 years. Three-day treatment and bottles on stomach troubles sent free by addressing:
EUPESIA COMPANY, 200 West 10th St., St. Louis, Mo. No. 1000. Please send me one bottle and the guarantee of a refund if I am not cured."

Historian of the Bastille, in St. Louis for Lecture, Keeps Lock on His Opinion of American Woman



M. FUNCK-BRENTANO, SKETCHED BY A POST-DISPATCH ARTIST.

M. Funck-Brentano Has Spent 10 Years Arranging Archives of Grim Fortress and Finds It Was Not a "Monu- ment of Misery," but "a Pleasant Retreat"—Looks for America and Russia to Be Two Greatest Nations.

"The impressions of a man who has spent the best 10 years of his life in the study of one of the most fevered epochs in the world's history are interesting. Such a man is M. Funck-Brentano, who is at the present moment visiting St. Louis."

In his work of classifying and cataloging the archives of the Paris Bastille in the Arsenal Library, Mr. Brentano has made himself familiar with events, which led up to the passing away of old orders of government and the foundation of the new.

More than a decade ago, Mr. Brentano was entrusted by the French government with the task of arranging the archives of the famous old fortress and political prison house of the Bastille. Out of chaos he has created Cosmos and the result of his 10 years' labor has been to give to the world a totally new conception of the character of that grim castle, to rehabilitate what for centuries has been considered a monument of misery and convert the eight-towered fortress into a pleasant retreat where "over-active" citizens might ruminate in peace and even luxury upon their duties to their king.

Of still greater interest, perhaps, has been Mr. Brentano's elucidation of the mystery of the Man in the Iron Mask, a mystery that for generations had exercised the minds of historical students. That this interest is as keen today as ever it was is shown by the fact that although Mr. Brentano has 50 subjects from which to draw matter for his present lecture tour through these states, he has been requested to make the masked man the subject of his remarks no less than 24 times. That the mysterious prisoner was Count Matthei, ambassador to the Duke of Mantua, is now generally accepted, he says.

This is Mr. Brentano's first visit to America, but as he has been entrusted with a mission by the French government for the diffusion of the French language and of French literature here it is expected his visits will be frequent.

The Work of Years.
Mr. Brentano is a good talker, fluent, forceful and enthusiastic. Of more than ordinary height, straight and strongly built, he does not give the impression of a man who has spent 10 years poring over ancient archives, mouldy parchments and tattered records.

"I was blind when I had finished my work," said Mr. Brentano to a Post-Dispatch reporter. "I came from the Etoile des Champs as successor to M. Francotte. During the ten years I worked over the archives 30,000 pieces were classified and cataloged. The records of the Bastille had been rammed, scattered and torn by the mob that stormed the fortress in 1793. The remnants had been gathered up and tossed pell-mell into the cellar."

"Numbers of interesting writings beside the mere record of prisoners were found among these papers. Among them a history of Madame de Montespan, which has been translated into English under the title of the Princess and Poisoner. The identity of the Man in the Iron Mask has also been elucidated as related in my book, 'The Legends of the Bastille.' And now comes to me the task of giving to the world the history of the Bastille, the prison house which was the scene of the most terrible of crimes."

"That St. Louis, a city of French origin, should have so few people who understand the French language, I am sorry so little French is spoken here. But the further one goes west, the less French is studied. Boston ranks highest in its knowledge of French. My audiences there were more numerous than anywhere else and I felt that everyone understood what I said. French is taught more than German in the eastern states, but out here German appears to be preferred. 'German is the language of commerce, rather than French, which is the language of elegance and of the arts and of literature. I find the ladies understand the language better than the men.'"

"Are you a Frenchman, Mr. Brentano?"

CHOICE OF SENATOR IS STILL IN DOUBT

Large Number of Absentees Only
Feature of Today's Legisla-
tive Joint Ballot.

Niedringhaus 46
Cockrell 54
Kerens 12
McKinley 4
Chambers 1

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 17.—The only feature of today's vote on the senatorship was the large number of absentees. In the Senate and House a total of 29 pairs were announced.

The ballot resulted: Niedringhaus, 46; Cockrell, 54; Kerens, 12; McKinley, 4; Chambers, 1.

Walmesley cast the vote for Representative Chambers of St. Clair County. On Senator Hicks' motion the joint session dissolved and the houses separately adjourned until Monday.

Fontana to Run Again.

John R. Fontana, present member and former speaker of the House of Delegates, filed his nominating petition Friday and will submit his name to the direct Democratic primaries for re-nomination to the House of Delegates from the Twenty-second ward. He is one of the Butler lieutenants and as the Twenty-second ward has been wrested from Butler's control by the Jefferson Club, the prospect is that Fontana will have a lively fight on his hands.

"I was born in the little principality of Luxembourg. My mother was German but, oh, yes! I am a Frenchman." This with some pride and sparkling eyes. "All my life has been devoted to French historical study. French history is the most wonderful in the world. American history will be wonderful some day. It has all before it. In the future there will be two great countries. You will not agree perhaps, no, you will not agree! It is Russia and America. They will be the future powers. Each is wonderful in its own way. Russia is growing, developing. America is learning civilization from England and France, but Russia is developing, evolving from within—out of its inner consciousness. The present turmoil in Russia is superficial."

Fair Taught the World.

Mr. Brentano drifted onto the subject of the World's Fair. "The effect of the St. Louis Exposition," said Mr. Brentano, "has been remarkable. No World's Fair has had so great an effect. Scholars from all nations have visited your city. All the world has learned something about the rest of the world. America has benefited, too. America is self-centered. I have been astonished! People do not ask me about my country—about my lectures or about France. No! They ask me about themselves. 'What is my opinion?' 'It is to me funny!'"

"I shall work along the lines of my last book, which, by the way, I have not yet seen. It has been published since I left home, but has reached three editions. It is on the development of the newspaper. Before the fall of the Bastille there were no journals permitted in France. The 'diastie de France' was the only printed matter in the form of a journal and that was on official publication."

Mr. Brentano says American literature is little known in France. The works of Edgar Allan Poe and of Longfellow are known in some measure, but no living writer except Mark Twain has become popular. Mr. Brentano intends to translate some of the great American works and hopes to familiarize the French public with American literature.

"I am so glad you did not ask me about 'I thought of a Frenchman.' The English I thought of was not a Frenchman. A young woman in Chicago asked me that question. I shook my shoulders and next day saw two columns in the paper of my praise of the 'American lady.'"

"We like to hear that our women are considered beautiful."

"O, yes—male cult—but it is true. O, yes, it is true! 'Charming.' And with a delightful little bow the historian hastened off to his lecture."

FATHER WANTS BOY; SO DOES STEPFATHER

Death of Mother Is Followed by
Fight in Court for His
Possession.

The spectacle of a father fighting to gain possession of his son from the boy's stepfather, the mother now being dead, was presented Friday in Judge Taylor's division of the Circuit court when Louis E. Standifer of 4121 Evans avenue filed an answer to Frank Russell's petition for a writ of habeas corpus to secure custody of Clyde Russell, aged 11 years.

Russell, the father, is anxious to regain control of his only child, from whom he has been separated since December, 1933, when his wife got a divorce from him.

Standifer, the stepfather, is just as anxious to retain the boy, to whose mother, recently deceased, he was married Feb. 2, 1934, and for whom he professes a strong attachment.

On her death-bed, he declares, his wife besought him to keep the boy and care for him. He promised, he says, and is willing and able to keep his word.

In March, 1933, according to Russell's petition, he married Cora Henry at Melvin, Ark. In December, 1933, at Fort Worth, Tex., she obtained a divorce from him. No order was made by the court concerning the boy, their only child, he says, but he allowed his wife to keep him.

Not long after the divorce Mrs. Russell was married to Standifer at Monroe, La., and last year the couple moved to St. Louis, bringing the boy with them.

Mrs. Standifer died Jan. 27, 1935. Standifer says in his petition that Mrs. Russell learned that Frank Russell had an undivorced wife living at the time he married her, and that it was on this ground

that she obtained a divorce from him; also that the court awarded her the custody of the child.

For this reason and because he loves the boy and is able to raise him properly, Standifer asks that Russell's petition be denied. Standifer is in business at 402 E. Benton avenue. The case will be heard Feb. 24.

Boys' satin calf, good heavy shoes for school \$4 to \$4.75 value, now \$1.95 at Bechler's, 619 N. Broadway.

Senate Favors Another Court.

A press dispatch from Jefferson City states that the Senate Friday passed Haysman's bill creating an additional criminal division of the St. Louis Circuit Court. The bill has yet to pass the House. It gives the governor the power to appoint the first judge under the new law. There are at present two criminal divisions of the Circuit court, Nos. 10 and 11, both sitting at the Four Courts.

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drink half a glass of
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Water

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to insure a free move-
ment of the bowels
and relief from

CONSTIPATION

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A REMOVAL BARGAIN

MARCH 15 we will be in our new building, southwest corner of 11th and Olive Sts.

As we have ordered an entire new stock of machines, we will sell 350 that we have in stock of the best \$35.00 disc talking machines ever made at the ridiculously low price of

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Terms \$3.00 Down and \$1.00 a Week.

THIS SPECIAL OUTFIT CONSISTS OF

A beautiful quarter-sawn Oak Cabinet Machine, handsomely finished, size 13 1/2 inches square by 7 1/2 inches high.

One large 36-inch special metal horn, with 14-inch brass bell.

The machine has a long-running, brass-gear motor, with latest improved start, stop and speed regulation. Six Columbia or Victor 10-inch discs, or one dozen Gold Seal Records 10-inch. 500 Latest Improved needles.

You cannot duplicate this outfit any place in St. Louis for \$40 on the same terms.

OPEN SATURDAY EVENING UNTIL 10 O'CLOCK.

THE CONROY PIANO CO., 1115 OLIVE ST.

Dainty 25c Silk Organdies, 10c

THINK of buying the prettiest, newest 25c Wash fabrics of the season at 10c; all the dainty, charming rosebud, floral and other designs of these beautiful, sheer tub fabrics; over 400 pieces to select from, at only, yd. 10c

Basement Salesrooms—Five Elevators.

The May Co.
Washington Av. and Sixth Street.

\$1.25 Embr'd Waist Patterns, 48c

OUR great special of 10 days ago repeated; 1500 beautiful waist patterns, in sheer India linens, with silk or fine mercerized peas de Anglaise embroidery for front, collar and cuffs. There's enough material in each pattern for a complete waist; choice of these patterns at... 48c

Basement Salesrooms—Five Elevators.

THE NEW BASEMENT SALESROOM

THE occasion of the opening of the New Daylight Economy Basement Salesroom today was simply an ovation. Throngs of enthusiastic women fairly reveled in the greatest bargains ever offered in St. Louis.

Months of planning and buying at large price concessions, expressly for this sale, has resulted in the heaviest savings we have ever known, and we unhesitatingly pronounce this sale the premier event of the new year.

\$6 Spring Covert Jackets, \$3.48

THINK of the new jaunty Short Spring Jackets of all-wool covert cloths at \$3.48! Stylishly tailored. They're the collarless style with fancy strap trimmings, pipings and silk braid. New leg-of-mutton sleeves. Sizes for women and misses, at... \$3.48

Basement Salesroom—Five Elevators.

New \$4 Taffeta Waists, \$2.25

ONLY three hundred of these dainty Taffeta Silk Waists with yoke effect, plackets and close shirring, giving full blouse, silk tab collar, plaited back and new leg-of-mutton sleeve. Black, blue, brown, gray, pink, light blue, green and white. \$4.00 Waists... \$2.25

Basement Salesroom—Five Elevators.

New \$4 Spring Covert Jackets, \$2.79

AUNTIE little coats to be worn this spring; novel all-wool covert garments in the collarless style, with double-breasted front. They're the short hip, tight-fitting model, with belt; women's and misses' sizes in \$4 Jackets—Special... \$2.79

Basement Salesroom—Five Elevators.

New \$1 Wash Wrappers, 59c

AUNTIE Wrappers of fast color call-cos in dark grounds, with very liberal patterns. These are cut very liberally and have 12-inch flounce, epaulettes over shoulder and fancy braid trimmed collar, yoke and cuffs. Sizes 32 to 42. Regular \$1.00 Wrappers at... 59c

Basement Salesroom—Five Elevators.

Basement Specials in White Goods, Cottons and Coverings

BERKLEY CAMBRIC, 7 1/2c—Everyone

knows that the Berkley Cambric is the best made today, and every housekeeper will delight in this chance to secure them under price—do not miss them—at... 7 1/2c

45c SHEETS AT 25c—Extra heavy Bleached Muslin Sheets, made with a seam—size 72x90 inches—choice of 45c grade at, each... 25c

40c LINENS AT 25c—Nothing approaches a pure Linen Cambric. In this sale we will offer 36-inch Sheer All-Linen Irish Cambric, the most wanted fabrics for waists, suits and underwear—40c quality—at... 25c

7c Prints at, yard, 3 1/2c

A THOUSAND pieces of fine standard Prints, in best American blues and Simpsons' best grays. These are in solid colors and neat figures and stripes. Regular 7c quality, at, yard... 3 1/2c

25c SCOTCH FLANNELS, 12 1/2c—32-inch genuine Scotch Flannels, in dainty stripe effects, in all colors; for Waists, Men's Shirts, Kimonos, Dressing Gowns, etc.—25c quality, at, yard... 12 1/2c

50c SHEETS AT 35c—Made of extra sheeting with seam—size 81x90 inches—regular 50c quality—at... 35c

at each... New Daylight Economy

15c MERCERIZED MADRAS, 6 1/2c—

100 pieces Mercerized Madras with a sheer rich resplendent silk—oblong and pink o'ply—yd. 6 1/2c

8c PERCALES AT 1 1/2c—Double-fold Standard Percales, in neat figured effects and stripes, in red, navy, gray and black ground with white figures—8c quality—at... 5c

12 1/2c GINGHAMS AT 7 1/2c—Genuine Toile de Nord Gingham, in neat check and stripe effects, in all colors—these are never sold for less than 12 1/2c—Sale Price... 7 1/2c

PILLOW CASES, 7 1/2c—Linen-Finished Pillow Cases—42x26 and 45x26 inches—17c grade—at... 7 1/2c

10c GINGHAMS AT 5c—The regular 10c quality, in all new colors in neat dainty stripe effects—10c quality—at, yard... 5c

White Goods Special

ANCY White Goods, in Leno stripes, fancy lawns and all the latest novelty weaves—values from 15c to 19c—as a great leader, we will offer these at, yard... 10c

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Marseilles pattern Crochet spreads, in fine new designs, for double beds—regular 75c Spreads—at... 55c

\$4.00 MARSEILLES SPREADS, 25c—Extra fine Marseilles Spreads, in entirely new patterns—come are plain, others with hand-tied fringes with cut corners—\$4.00 Spreads—at... \$2.59

\$1.25 COMFORTS AT 98c—Extra fine Silkoline-Covered Comforts, figured on both sides—tufted and filled with fine laminated cotton—full size—\$1.25 Comforts at... 98c

12 1/2c SHAKER FLANNELS, 7 1/2c—Extra Heavy Bleached and Unbleached Shaker Flannels with heavy flounce—12 1/2c grade—at... 7 1/2c

SHOT NEAR PILLOW DOESN'T WAKE BOY

Willie Reynolds Sleeps on When
Pistol Explodes Few Inches
From His Head.

FATHER THINKS HE'S DEAD.

Raises Support and Finds Bullet
in Mattress Under Young
Sleeper's Head.

Willie Reynolds' sound-sleeping tendency gave his father, John Reynolds, a scare that the latter will not get over for several weeks. The accidental discharge of a revolver under the pillow next to the one on which Willie's head lay, did not even disturb the lad and until reassured by regular breathing and heart beats, the father feared he had killed the lad.

Willie is 16 years old and his father is a Missouri Pacific engineer. They board at the Kirkwood Hotel, Kirkwood, and the father is not at home much during the day.

Wednesday Willie was very busy outside of school hours coasting and when he retired that night, it was only a few moments until he was sleeping soundly.

His father's entrance to his room did not disturb him, nor did the placing of the father's revolver under the pillow bother him.

These developments did not surprise Mr. Reynolds, but a few moments later, when he decided to leave the room and in attempting to take the revolver from under the pillow, accidentally discharged it, he expected Willie to leap from bed in fright.

But Willie did not move. Mr. Reynolds watched him for a few seconds and then realized that the barrel of the revolver was pointed in the direction of Willie's head and jumped to the conclusion that he must have killed his boy.

Frankly, he sought evidence of a wound, but only discovered signs of life and undisturbed sleep.

Finally he raised the pillow and found that the bullet was imbedded in the mattress two inches from where Willie's head had rested.

But Willie kept on sleeping.

What To Do For Heart Trouble

I Back up My Advice With This Remarkable Offer:—A Full Dollar's Worth of My Remedy Free to Prove.

That I Am Right.

I ask no reference, no deposit, no security. There is nothing to promise, nothing to pay—either now or later. To any heart sufferer who has tried my remedy—Dr. Shoop's Restorative—will gladly give, true, not a mere sample, but a full dollar bottle of my Restorative because mine is no ordinary remedy. It does not merely soothe the heart, it goes straight to the cause of all heart trouble—the heart nerves—and strengthens them and vitalizes them and restores them, thus that is the end of heart disease.

For the heart itself has no more self control than a common sponge. It is made to beat by a tender nerve so that it is scarcely visible to the naked eye. Yet ten thousand times a day this delicate nerve must cause the heart to expand and contract.

The heart is about the size of your clenched fist. Open and close your fist a good time, even, and you will see the monster labor this little nerve must do.

The heart nerve is only one of the branches of the great sympathetic nervous system. Each branch of this system is so closely allied with the others that weakness or irregularity at any point is apt to spread. Heart trouble frequently arises from stomach trouble through sympathy, and kidney trouble may also follow.

These organs are operated by a branch of these sympathetic nerves—the inside nerve.

The bond of sympathy between the nerves that operate the vital organs has a useful purpose as well. For what will cure weakness in one branch will surely cure weakness in every branch—what will restore one center, will surely restore them all.

There is nothing new about this—nothing any physician would dispute. But it remained for Dr. Shoop to apply this knowledge—to put it to practical use. Dr. Shoop's Restorative is the result of a quarter century of endeavor along this line. It does not dose the organ or deplete the pulse—but it does get at once to the cause—the inside nerve—the power nerve—and builds it up and strengthens it and makes it well.

If you have heart trouble and have never tried my remedy, merely write and ask, I will send you an order on your druggist which he will accept as readily as he would accept a dollar. He will send you from his shelves a standard sized bottle of my Restorative and he will send the Restorative to you. This order is made out to strangers to my remedy. Those who have used the Restorative do not need this evidence. There are no conditions—no requirements. It is open and limitless. All that I ask you to do is to write—write today.

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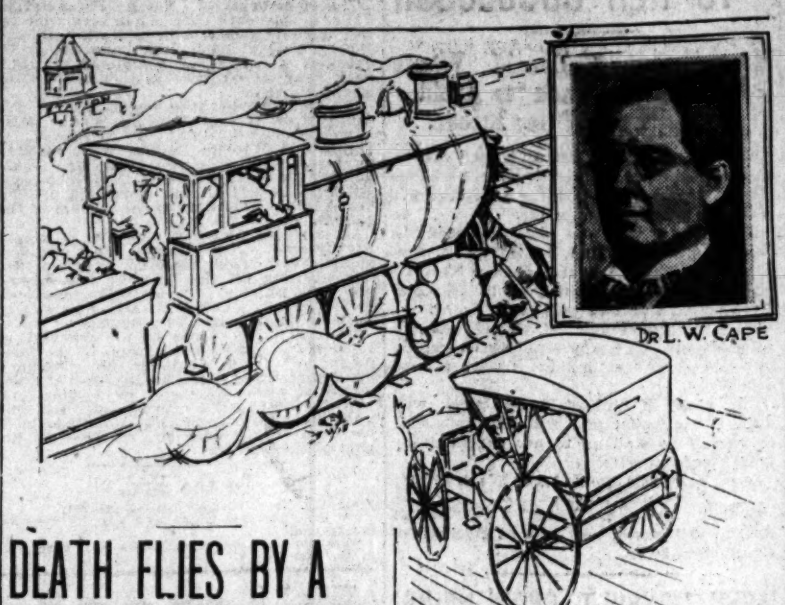
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How Speeding Train Took Horse, Leaving Wagon and Driver Unharmed



DEATH FLIES BY A FEW FEET FROM HIM

Dr. L. W. Cape Sits Uninjured in
His Buggy as Train
Kills Horse.

MAKING CALL ON PATIENT.

Tried to Back Off Tracks, but Was
a Moment Too Late to Save
the Animal.

Dr. L. W. Cape of Maplewood received the congratulations of his friends Friday on his exceedingly narrow escape from death Thursday night in a railroad accident.

His horse was struck by a fast mail train and instantly killed, but the buggy in which the doctor sat was scarcely shaken.

The horse was struck with such force that it was hurled around at right angles to the buggy, the shafts of which were snapped off clean, leaving the buggy standing facing the train as it swept by at a speed of 25 miles an hour.

The accident happened at the Ellendale crossing of the Old Manchester road and the Missouri Pacific tracks. Dr. Cape was on his way to call on a patient in Ellendale and was driving south. The gates were not lowered and as the view to the eastward was obstructed he thought no train was approaching and drove on the track.

Then he saw the headlight of a train approaching from the city and could tell that it was coming at such high speed that it was doubtful whether he could get across the tracks before the train reached the horse of the train.

The engine struck the horse's head with such force that the animal's body was thrown around parallel with the track with its head close to the rails and its shafts were snapped off as clean and sharp that there was scarcely a tremor communicated to the buggy and the front wheels were not turned.

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ST. ROSE HOSPITAL REPORT.

Detailed Account of Work Done
During Two Years.

The first report of the Mount St. Rose's Hospital, at 3200 South Broadway, which is in charge of the Sisters of St. Mary, shows that since the opening, Oct. 15, 1902, the hospital has treated 1,000 patients. Following is a detached account. Patients paying full rate, 212; patients paying part, 41; charity patients, 180. Sex of patients—Males, 375; females, 178. Social condition—Single, 207; married, 192; widowed, 34. Religion—Catholic, 274; Protestant, 127; Hebrew, 32; no religious denomination, 18. Remaining in hospital Dec. 31, 1904, 50. Nationality—United States, 30; Germany, 3; Ireland, 1; Russia, 14; England, 10; Austria, 7; Canada, 4; Sweden, 4; France, 3; Scotland, 2; Switzerland, 3; Italy, 2; Bohemia, 1; China, 1; Denmark, 1; Syria, 1. William Porter, physician-in-chief. The sisters give thanks to their numerous friends and benefactors for assistance in enabling them to aid so many sick poor during the past two years.

Seek Relatives of Dead Man.

An inquest was begun Friday to determine the cause of the death of Frank Manuel, age 63, a widower. Manuel contracted a congestive chill while sitting by the stove at his home, 50 Lucas avenue, and died on the way to the City Hospital in an ambulance. The body was taken to the morgue and an effort is being made to locate his relatives.

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SUNKEN GARDEN FOR FOREST PARK

Park Commissioner Plans to Use
200,000 Plants in New
Feature.

Park Commissioner Aul Friday morning announced the completion of plans for a sunken garden that will be constructed in Forest Park by May 1.

The garden will be circular, 350 feet in diameter, and will be bordered with 200,000 plants which are now ready in the hothouse in the park.

The location of the garden will be near either the Lindell pavilion or the Wabash bridge near the King's highway entrance. If the latter site is decided upon it will replace the pool there and save considerable expense in the three-foot excavation required.

The center of the garden will be a pool 20 feet in diameter for gold and silver fish. In the center of the pool there will be a fountain. Mr. Aul estimates the cost at \$500.

The walks leading to the center will be six feet in width.

The garden will be the largest of the kind in a public park in this country except that in front of the art gallery in Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

TWO ACQUITTED OF ROBBERY.

William Baker and Coca Cockle-
reas Released by Court.

William Baker of Clayton road and Pennsylvania avenue, and Coca Cockle-
reas, living in the Ward's Fair grounds, accused by William Schaefer of Leclaire avenue of robbing him, were discharged Thursday in the Court of Criminal Correction, the evidence not supporting the charge made by Schaefer.

The latter said he was robbed on Clayton road Feb. 2, but told conflicting stories as to who had robbed him.

Baker and Cocklereas are employed as teamsters at the World's Fair.

Little gent's school shoes in box calf, 9 to 13½, \$1.50, now \$1. Every pair of boys' and girls' shoes in the house reduced, see window at Boehmer's 410 N. Broadway.

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Women's \$2.50 and \$3.00 Shoes for \$1.48 Boys' \$1.50 and \$2.00 Shoes for 98c
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OUR selling prices are based on the purchase price, 52c on the dollar. We bought more than \$14,000 worth of high-grade shoes—all that Goehner-Powers had on hand—for exactly \$7,502.81. This is considered to be the greatest shoe deal consummated in the city for years, and we are experiencing the greatest shoe sale in this store's history. The stock is strictly up to date and the qualities are the very best. It is an extraordinary opportunity to buy fine shoes for women, boys, misses and children. (Children's Shoe Section on the Balcony.)

Men's Shirts at One-Half

A PURCHASE of 300 dozen E. & W. Shirts at 30c on the dollar on sale Monday at an equal saving.

65c and 75c MEN'S SHIRTS FOR 30c.

THIS lot contains Men's Madras Negligee Shirts, with attached or detached cuffs and 2 collars; Men's Laundered Negligee Shirts, with collar and cuffs attached; Boys' Madras and Percal Laundered Negligee Shirts, all new patterns; 65c and 75c values; 39c

MEN'S \$1.00 NEGLIGEE SHIRTS, 50c.

THIS lot consists of Laundered Pleated Bosom Negligee Shirts, with cuffs attached; Madras Laundered Negligee Shirts, with cuffs attached; White Oxford Pleated Bosom Negligee Shirts; Tan Madras Negligee Shirts, with merized bosom; White Negligee Laundered Shirts, with Madras pleated bosom, and Madras Negligee Shirts, with attached cuffs; \$1.00 values at 50c

MEN'S \$1.50 NEGLIGEE SHIRTS, 75c.

8000 REGISTER; FIGHTS IN FOURTH

Secretary Elsperson Says Many Entered in Fall Qualified on Primary Books.

POLICE HAVE QUIET DAY.

Trouble Chiefly in Downtown Ward, Where Several Were Hurt and Books Stolen.

Secretary John Elsperson, Jr., of the Board of Election Commissioners estimates that about 8000 names were added to the registration lists in the precincts during the one day's registration Thursday.

Most of the voters who registered had moved since last fall, when 125,000 names were enrolled. Fully 90 per cent of these also registered in the primary books. Many who failed to qualify in the primary books last fall had their names enrolled Thursday.

Trouble was reported in two of the 28 wards. Numerous calls for police were received from the Fourth ward, but little trouble occurred.

Four unidentified men threatened John Burns and Beverly Brown, two Republican officials, at 301 North Fourteenth street. Burns and Brown disappeared. Edward Sweeney and James Crawford then left with the polling books. The police found James O'Loughlin, a Democratic judge, and Otto Pires, a Republican clerk, in possession of the books, but with no books when they arrived.

James McKenzie, a Republican judge, was treated at the City Dispensary for a scalp wound, which was inflicted by an unidentified man. McKenzie was officiating at the polling booth, 218 Chestnut street.

John Street, a Republican judge at 235 North Broadway, told the election commissioners that he had been knocked down by three strangers in the polling booth. He exhibited a cut and a swollen ear as evidence of the trouble he had. All these disturbances took place in the Fourth ward.

Constable "Jimmy" Miles' friends and Central Committee men "Donovan" clashed in the Third ward. Charlie Lynn, a Miles man, was arrested and taken to the Four Courts, where he was released upon his own recognizance. Donovan said that the Miles man attacked him without cause.

Altoona, Pa., June 20, 1903. I was afflicted with Tetter in bad shape. It would appear in blotches as large as my hand, a yellowish color, and would scale off. You can imagine how offensive it was. For twelve years I was afflicted with this trouble, and at night it was a case of scratch and many times so rest at all. Seeing the good the medicine was doing a friend who was taking it for Eczema, I commenced it, and as a result the eruption began to dry up and disappear, and to-day I am practically a well man. Only two tiny spots are left on the elbow and shin, where once the whole body was affected. I have every confidence in the world in the medicine, and feel sure that in a short time these two remaining spots will disappear. S. S. S. is certainly a great blood purifier, and has done me a world of good. I am grateful for what it has accomplished, and trust that what I have said will lead others who are similarly afflicted to take the remedy and obtain the same good results that I have.

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FINE CHANCE FOR IVAN WHIN

The Story of the Hat Clew Discovered in a Bartmer Avenue Flat.

MAY HELP TRACE BURGLAR.

Woman Saw Hat Moving, When Thief Was at Work, but He Escaped.

Here is a chance for Ivan Whin to write a story which would rival in the intensity of its sustained interest the story of the "Shadow Clew." This is the story of the "Hat Clew."

The hat was worn by a burglar. All that Mrs. D. Wittlicher of 538 Bartmer avenue could see of the burglar was his hat. But she got a good look at that and she could identify it.

She watched the hat while the intruder burglarized the flat of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Stegner, downstairs under the one occupied by Mrs. Wittlicher.

The Stegner family were away for the afternoon, and Mrs. Wittlicher had been left in charge of the place.

While Mrs. Wittlicher was watching the hat, she was trying to twist herself into some position whereby she could get a glimpse of the man's face or see what he was doing. His movements seemed so confidential, and as the back door was open, she did not at first suspect that the man was a burglar.

When Mrs. Stegner left home at 2:35 o'clock Wednesday afternoon she called to Mrs. Wittlicher and telling of her intended absence and the location of the key. It was only a few moments later when Mrs. Wittlicher heard someone moving about downstairs and investigated. From the midway landing on the back stairway she saw the man's hat through a transom and was able to trace his movements about the bedrooms. But try as she would, she was not able to see his face or determine what he was doing. The key, she saw, was gone from the customary hiding place and the back door was open.

Finally Mrs. Wittlicher called loudly: "Is Mrs. Stegner at home and what are you doing?"

The man under the hat stopped, but he did not look up. After listening intently until Mrs. Wittlicher moved again, he started for the front of the flat.

Mrs. Wittlicher ran up the stairway, through her flat and down the front way, but the man under the hat, which she recognized had 10 yards the start, and when he saw her leave the flat, he ran. Mrs. Wittlicher soon lost sight of him.

Half an hour later she managed to get word to the policeman on the beat, and they found that the intruder had taken trinkets valued at \$10 and had cut open a telescope grip and scattered things about the rooms.

Ivan Whin's remarkable series of novels, founded on facts and built around real people and the scenes of which are laid in St. Louis, have been running every day in the Post-Dispatch and have become the talk of the town.

Snappy styles in Women's Manhattan. Special \$2.50 shoes, now \$2.50 at Boehmer's, 410 N. Broadway.

MEMORIAL FOR FREE BRIDGE.

Real Estate Exchange Directors Carry Matter to Congress.

A memorial to Congress asking that a law be enacted to permit St. Louis to build and maintain a free bridge will be sent to that body by the board of directors of the St. Louis Real Estate Exchange.

The resolutions as passed Thursday at the meeting of the directors, petitions Congress for the right to acquire ground for terminals by condemnation proceedings or other wise.

The Missouri Legislature will also be asked to pass a bill authorizing St. Louis to build a free bridge and to appropriate funds for the maintenance of the bridge. A committee from the Legislature is expected in St. Louis Friday to investigate the question of freight rates and is expected to confer with the real estate exchange committee in regard to the free bridge.

RAILROAD SWITCH INDORSED.

Majority of Second Street Property Owners Sign Petition.

The Manufacturers' Railway Co. has notified the Board of Public Improvement that it has procured the signatures of 12,000 of the 22,227 property owners along the route of the proposed railroad on South Second street. This is a majority of the property owners, but it is considered doubtful if it represents a majority of the front feet of property fronting on the proposed route. The city owns several large tracts on this route, one of which is Lyon Park.

The Municipal Assembly has received a communication from the Interstate Merchants' Association, which advises the greatest caution.

SEEK CAUSE OF MAN'S DEATH.

Odor of Gas in Room, but No Open Jets.

Physicians from the coroner's office began the post mortem Friday morning, to ascertain the cause of the death of Robert Brukmere, 44 years old, of Sparta, Ill., whose lifeless body was found Thursday afternoon in his room at 710 North Jefferson avenue.

Beside the body were found two bottles containing pills.

The coroner also received information that a few hours before the discovery of the body there was a strong odor of gas about the house.

Tary Jones, keeper of the rooming house, found the body when he went to find out why Brukmere remained in bed longer than usual.

Jones told the police that when he entered the room the gas jets were closed. Aside from the two bottles of pills Brukmere had only 10 cents and two postage stamps.

LEVEE MISSION READY TO OPEN
President of Sunday School Union to Make Address.

H. S. Davis, president of the St. Louis Sunday School Union, will make the principal address at the opening of the new mission in the levee district at Vine and Commercial streets Sunday. Charles A. Foras, until recently connected with Levee Mission, will be superintendent.

Murray Carpenter, H. H. Jackson, W. H. Friessner, N. W. McKean, George A. Tjora, George D. Markham and L. E. Shaw are identified with the founding of the mission.

Woman Who Spent 22 Years in Siberia, Lectures Here Tonight



MME. KATHRINE BRESHKOVSKY.

Money Received for the Poor.
For the purchase of coal for the poor the Post-Dispatch has received the following contributions:
L. G. C. 31; Edna, Sadie, Erna and Corinne, 51; Mrs. M. A. F. 31.

Aged Man Seriously Injured.
John Fubick, age 76, is at the City Hospital with concussion of the brain and other injuries, caused by falling downstairs at his home, 146 North Eleventh street. He is not expected to live.

FORMER WIFE KIND TO HER SUCCESSOR

Mrs. Emma McDonald Wants Maiden Name Back "to Avoid Unpleasantness" for Either.

To avoid unpleasantness to herself and to the second wife of her former husband, Emma McDonald asked the Circuit court Friday to change her name.

She relates that she was married in Belleville, Dec. 30, 1886, to Robert E. McDonald, and that he got a divorce Nov. 23, 1901, and married again Dec. 21, 1901, and lives with his second wife in St. Louis. She has not remarried, she says, and since the divorce has generally been known and called by her maiden name, Emma Stockfleth.

The name of McDonald, she says, will lead to confusion and will be unpleasant to herself as well as to her former husband's present wife.

Mrs. McDonald lives at 2322 Wash. street. Snappy styles in Women's Manhattan. Special \$2.50 shoes, now \$2.50 at Boehmer's, 410 N. Broadway.

MUST CONSULT CROW HEIRS.

Their Consent Necessary for Removal of Fine Arts Museum.

The heirs of Wayman Crow must be consulted before a plan can be formulated for the removal of the St. Louis Museum of Fine Arts from Memorial Hall, Nineteenth and Locust streets, to the World's Fair Fine Arts building, according to W. K. Bixby, a member of the board of control of the museum.

Memorial Hall was built upon a site purchased by Wayman Crow in 1879, and presented to Washington University to be used forever as a museum of fine arts. The building and contents are valued at \$300,000.

It is believed that the Crow heirs will consent to the sale of the property since the purpose of the originator will be perpetuated.

Negress Cut by Husband.
The police are looking for George Murphy, a negro, whom they charge with severely wounding his wife at their home, 207 Fine street, at noon Friday. The quarrel arose over Murphy's jealousy and the woman was cut six times. She was taken to the City Hospital. Murphy escaped.

THIRTY YEARS AS ORGANIST.

North Presbyterian Choir Celebrates Anniversary of J. H. Crocker.

The members of North Presbyterian Church, Eleventh and Chambers streets, will give a recital and reception in the church Friday evening in honor of J. H. Crocker, who has just completed his thirtieth year as organist and choir director of the church.

The reception is the suggestion of the choir—Miss Gladys Van de Water, Miss Florence Maury and Miss F. H. H. A. Hahig and William Doctor, who, assisted by Mrs. Alice Acosta, also Mrs. Maury, will render an instrumental and vocal program in the auditorium, which will be followed by the reception in the parlors of the church.

Mr. Crocker has been organist of North Presbyterian Church almost since the day of its arrival from England, over 30 years ago. During all this time he has missed but four Sunday services. On these occasions he was twice ill, and was out of the city on the other two Sundays.

He began his career as an organist in London and has played in some of the foremost churches in England. Mr. Crocker's present choir says that he has several times appeared with one hand in a sling and with the other badly bruised, but that such apparently insurmountable conditions have never interfered with the rendition of his part of the services.

In the End.

From the New Orleans Times-Democrat.
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BANDIT BOOKS SEIZED BY WOMEN

Chicago Society Suppresses "Stick-Up Sam" and Other Literature Which Is Under Law's Ban.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.—"Tracy, the Bandit," "Jesse James Double," and "Stick-Up Sam" have been ignominiously held up and put to rout by one lady woman, Mrs. W. C. H. Keough, member of the board of education and chairman of the sub-committee on suppression of pernicious literature of the Cook County Child-Saving League.

As a result of the committee's work, the above titles, with many others of their kind, have been captured from trunks by officers of the compulsory education department.

Under the existing statute it is "unlawful for any person to sell, lend, give away, or have in his possession with intent to sell, give away or show to any minor or otherwise offer for loan, gift or distribution to any minor any book, pamphlet, magazine, newspaper, story book, or other printed matter devoted to the publication, or principally made up of criminal news, or narratives of criminal deeds, or pictures or stories of deeds of bloodshed, lust, or crime."

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MORRIS PARK GETS NO DATES

Assignment of New York Dates Indicates Closing of Track in Favor of Aqueduct.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Assignment of dates by the Jockey Club to local tracks, just announced, includes no time for Morris Park, and it is understood that an arrangement has been reached over that part of the local racing situation which has been bethering eastern turfmen for some time. Some time ago it was reported that Aqueduct track would be sold to a syndicate and its dates transferred to Morris Park, where it had been expected last season there would be no more racing and that time would thus be made open for the new Belmont track on Long Island.

However, dates are now assigned for Aqueduct and for the Westchester Racing Association, which will control the new track, and no time has been given to Morris Park. No official explanation has been given, but it is understood on good authority that the club controlling Morris Park has assigned its lease to some other, who will pay \$20,000 a year and close its gates.

ST. LOUIS MAN MAKES CLEAN SCORE IN SHOOT.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 17.—C. O. Spencer of St. Louis won the honors Thursday in the Kuch House shoot. He finished with a percentage of 100, having a clean score on 25 shots. A. H. King of Pittsburgh, Charles Budd of Des Moines, Io., J. Chapman of Fulton, N. Y., and Fred Gilbert of Spirit Lake, Io., were tied for second place with one miss out of 25 shots.

BELLEVILLE TROLEY LEAGUE TEAM COMPLETE.

Manager William Vollrath of the Belleville Baseball Club of the Trolley League has announced his line up for the coming season. It is as follows: Anderson, catcher; Phipps, pitcher; Binger, plicher; and right fielders; Hackett, first base; Stamm, second base; Pfeiffer, short stop; Schlemm, third base; Farrell, left field; Walworth, center field; Gleason, substitute.

Only three players, Walworth, Anderson and Farrell, were on last year's team. Charles Schlemm, who was formerly with the Alton Blues of the Trolley League, will be captain. John Schmeberger is president of the Belleville league team. The ball park will be thoroughly renovated before the season opens, and will be one of the finest parks of its kind in this section of the country.

WOOD DEFEATS CANADIAN CHAMPION AT SKATING.

TORONTO, Feb. 17.—Great interest was taken last night in the skating contest between Morris Wood, an American champion, and Fred Robson of Toronto, Ontario champion, at the King Edward rink. Wood won all three races easily.

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MINOR LEAGUES READY FOR WAR ON AMERICAN OVER DRAFTING RULES

Defiance of President Johnson and Club Owners to Request for Increased Price for Players Arouses Fighting Spirit—New League Suggested—Taylor Threatens Civil Suit.

BY J. S. MERRICK
A Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Rumors of new combinations in baseball and the possibility of another war in which the National and minor leagues might be arrayed against the American in a player-grabbing contest, cropped out after the American league went into session Thursday at the Hotel Breelin.

Last night President Johnson of the American league was closeted for several hours with H. C. Griffiths, the official spokesman of the minor leagues. The leaders of these two powerful organizations are still at a deadlock on the proposed changes in the national agreement providing for an increase in the drafting price.

George Tebeau, Tim Murnane, George Stallings, Judge Kavanaugh and other leaders in the minor leagues are going about with chips on their shoulders and intimate that the American league will suffer if the concessions are not granted. On the other hand, Johnson and club owners in this league have not budged from the position they took at the December meeting.

The result of Johnson's conference with Griffiths was not made public. The American league was to have had a night session, but Johnson's absence prevented that, and perhaps the American league as a body will invite an open session with representatives of the press to be present as a sort of an informal jury.

New League Suggested.
Out of the many corridor conferences was evolved a story of a powerful combination against the American league which seemed absurd on the face of it, but which gained credence as the day waned.

The plan includes the formation of a new league with four eastern league cities and four American Association cities in its circuit—Buffalo, Baltimore, Jersey City and Newark in the east, and Columbus, Louisville, Indianapolis and Toledo or Milwaukee in the West.

Presumably this combination would have the support of the National league, and the American would be a common enemy. Stories of a warfare which would reap a golden harvest for the players naturally accompanied these rumors. None of the minor league magnates directly interested, however, will admit such a campaign.

The minor league problem was the principal subject of discussion at the first session of the American yesterday afternoon. Downstairs in the lobby the minor league board waited in vain to be called before the meeting. The Americans simply laughed at the implied threats of war and instructed Johnson to agree to nothing that would raise the drafting price above \$100 for a player from a Class A minor league.

The American league schedule will not be issued until Friday night. A formal exchange of schedules was made Thursday afternoon and after promulgation of its playing dates, the National league adjourned the meeting at the Victoria Hotel. On account of the Sunday games, St. Louis and Chicago have more conflicting dates than any of the other cities where both leagues have clubs. There are no conflicting games in Boston and only one in Philadelphia. New York will have about five.

Browns Get Two Holidays.
The Browns and Cardinals will clash seven times and six of these will be Sunday games. The American league schedule is not yet public property, but the Browns will have about 15 Sundays at home and two holidays—Decoration Day and July 4.

President Robison objected vigorously to the allotment of Sunday dates and was given two more than the schedule originally called for, one being transferred

from Cincinnati and the other from Chicago.

It is said that Garry Hermann offered the St. Louis man extra inducements to play a certain Sunday game in Cincinnati, even going as far as to offer to pay part of the expenses for that day, but Mr. Robison insisted on the change, so the weekday game of Sept. 15 was cut out and a Sunday game substituted to be played July 2. On this date the Browns are also at home.

President Hedges of the Browns will have some good Sunday attractions. Last season the Philadelphia Athletics did not appear for even one Sunday game in St. Louis. This year they will come twice on Sunday and perhaps three times. The Cardinals have Decoration day games at Pittsburgh and July 4 at Chicago. The Browns probably will have Labor day at Cleveland.

Taylor Threatens Civil Suit.
Jack Taylor remained in the background yesterday, but his lawyer, "Johnny" Ward, did some talking. Unless Taylor is completely exonerated of the suspicion cast upon him, he will bring civil suit for damages against James A. Hart and Garry Hermann. The latter talked long and earnestly with Taylor yesterday afternoon, but his words had little effect on the disgruntled player. Hermann recently declared his belief that Taylor was a "crook" in baseball, and his public utterances along that line will make good grounds for a damage suit, according to Taylor.

"I look for no further action in the Taylor case here," said Ward yesterday. "The Pittsburgh incident is closed. I want to correct the impression that Taylor is the defendant in the charges made by James A. Hart. Comiskey investigation and Hart is ready to pay the defendants. We want this matter to go to the courts and let them decide. I will insist on being present at the investigation and that Taylor's interests may be protected."

Comiskey will endeavor to have the national commission act upon this matter today. Taylor does not know where he will remain in New York, but says he will not leave until he has left no stone unturned to avoid a lawsuit. Then, if he does not get satisfaction, he says he will appeal to the courts.

Before the National league adjourned, a change was effected in the rules controlling the sale of players within the league. Every time a player is offered for sale to a club outside the league, waivers from league clubs will be asked for, and any club can claim the player for \$100. Any price may be asked when a sale is made inside the league, however. The waiver system is already in vogue in the American league.

B. S. Minor and Thomas E. Noyes, representing the new owners of the Washington club, were formally introduced to the American league yesterday afternoon and made a report of the sale of the club last month.

Mr. Noyes, who is the new president, verified the reports that Pat Donovan would not manage or play with the Senators next season.

CARDINALS GET ONE HOME HOLIDAY

National League Schedule Committee Gives Local Club Labor Day on Home Grounds.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—The adoption of the schedule for the coming season was the chief business accomplished at the National league baseball meeting Thursday.

The care with which the schedule was chosen is indicated by the fact that only 20 conflicting dates are noticed. Of these, St. Louis has seven, Chicago, with nine, being the only other city to have more than one home game on any one day.

The Cardinals will open the season April 14 at home with Chicago. Labor day is the only holiday date allotted to the home team, on Memorial day they will play in Pittsburgh and the Fourth of July will find them in Chicago.

It is worthy of note that the New Yorks will play all holiday dates on the home grounds.

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Suits and Overcoats

Formerly Marked
\$12.50 AND \$15
Saturday at Famous
TO GO FOR
\$7.75




It's a splendid investment even though you buy for next Winter's service—just reflect what this offering really means—this Winter's excellent Suits and Overcoats at almost half of their former price—not a single Winter garment will be carried over by us. We've put the price down now to the lowest ebb to insure their hurried exit. Included are strictly all-wool cheviot and cassimere Suits in single and double breasted styles—also fancy worsted Suits in the single-breasted style. The Overcoats are made of fancy Scotch mixtures in the Tourist, belted back style—also Oxford gray and friezes in the medium length single-breasted style. Come Saturday and select yours—the values are truly extraordinary.

Men's Pants

\$4, \$4.50 and \$5 Values, \$2.65

Good, practical and serviceable pants at a remarkable reduction—expertly constructed of pure wool cassimeres, chevots and worsteds in an endless assortment of nobby pattern effects—the correct stripes, plaids, checks or the plain blacks and blues—Pants that were formerly marked \$4, \$4.50 and \$5—Saturday at Famous—choice for.....

2.65

Men's \$3 and \$3.50 Pants

Substantially made—splendid wearing—Saturday at Famous—very special for.....

\$1.90

Boys' \$4 to \$6 Suits, Overcoats and Reefers, Saturday \$2.50

If there's a boy around your house that needs or is going to need any clothes, it's to your decided advantage to come to Famous Saturday and profit by this most wondrous bargain. We offer you choice of hundreds of strictly all-wool, two-piece double-breasted Suits—Norfolk Suits—Sailor Suits—Russian House Suits—Three-piece Vest Suits—Little Novelty Suits, Fancy Overcoats and ¾-length Reefers—odds and ends and not all sizes of any one kind, but in the lot are garments to fit boys from 3 to 16 years of age. These are actual \$4, \$5 and \$6 values—Saturday, at Famous—Choice of any boy

\$2.50

MEN'S SPRING HATS

\$2.50 Values for \$1.60

They're samples of the new Spring blocks—soft and stiff Hats, in black, brown, pearl and fawn—they came to us from one of the largest Eastern manufacturers greatly underpriced—all clean, fresh and absolutely correct for Spring—actual \$2.50 values—Saturday, special for.....

1.60

MEN'S SHOES

Just the right sort of Shoes for Spring and wet weather wear—you'll buy them for just \$1.25 less than usual if you come Saturday—Patent Colt and Velour Calf, Lace and Blucher Shoes—Goodyear welts, London, Waldorf and Frenk Styles—all sizes—\$3.50 values—Saturday at Famous—choice for.....

2.25

WE GIVE EAGLE TRADING STAMPS.

Your Money Back if Wanted

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Open Saturday Night Until 10 P.M.

TU INVESTIGATE BRIDGE ARBITRARY

Senator Gardner Offers Resolution Committee to Probe Switching Charges.

SHIPPERS MAKE COMPLAINT

Senator Gardner Offers Resolutions Affecting Election Laws and Officials.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 17.—Senator A. E. L. Gardner of St. Louis County presented to the Senate this morning a joint and concurrent resolution to enlarge the scope of the committee appointed to investigate discrimination in stockyard and switching charges at St. Louis, with special reference to the operation of the terminal company and the methods of the terminal company.

TOOK PRISONER FROM CROWD.

Policeman Michael Giffin was compelled to draw his revolver to hold back a crowd of workmen when he went to the Friedman Bros. shoe factory at Channing avenue and Locust street Thursday afternoon to arrest Jacob W. Levy.

DIAMONDS — THE NEW WAY

We want to make a statement in the plainest language that we can use concerning buying Diamonds and Watches on the LOFTIS SYSTEM.

Any person (man or woman) living in Saint Louis or suburbs can select any Diamond, Watch or other article that they would like to own and wear, and it will be charged on plain open account and delivered on payment of a small fraction of the price.

that their intentions are good and that they do not select an article beyond their ability to pay for in a series of small monthly payments. We would, for instance, sell any person of good intentions, who earned as little as ten dollars a week, a \$50 Diamond, for we could arrange the

payments so that they would hardly be a person wanted a \$500 Diamond, we of course could not let him have it, for he could not meet the payments. We are willing to hand over the goods without any red tape or security, but we are not willing to let anyone assume an unreasonable obligation, the fulfillment of which would be burdensome to themselves. Tell us frankly just what you can spare monthly from your earnings—which will be just the same as putting the money in a savings bank monthly—and we will sell you, on easy terms, a finer and larger Diamond than you can get anywhere else for spot cash. If you will step in any of our salesmen will be very glad to talk the matter of a Diamond investment over with you—show goods and explain every feature of the LOFTIS SYSTEM.

Open every day until 6:30. Saturday until 10:00 p. m.

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The Only Diamond Cutters in the world selling Diamonds at retail. Winners of Highest Award (GOLD MEDAL) at the Exposition.

NEW PUBLICATIONS. NEW PUBLICATIONS.

A REMARKABLE STORY. N. O. Nelson's co-operative plan in active operation will be fully described by William Vinton Byers in WEEKLY of February 24.

Order copies at once from your newsdealer or send to the publishing house, 329 Holladay Building, St. Louis.

FORTUNE FOUND ON THIS JIU-JITSU JAP

Warlike Oriental, After Battle in Stationhouse, Reveals \$723 and \$15,000 in Checks.

BROUGHT IN BY FRIEND.

Akatagawa Got "Energy" at Banquet and Policemen Had Hard Tussle Subduing Him.

About 2 o'clock Friday morning two Japanese, one with a subduing jiu-jitsu grip around the other's back and across his neck, entered the Central District Police Station and the man with the jiu-jitsu grip announced that he wanted his companion locked up for the night.

Several Wanted Property.

The lease for the site was acquired through Leona E. Anderson, representing the Mercantile Trust Co., of which he is vice-president, in whose hands the property was placed by the Empor-um Realty Co., a company organized recently by Mr. Anderson to take the title of the property recently purchased.

SPRING SHOES

ARE COMING IN FAST. We Must Have Room for the New Stock.

Buy Winter Shoes Now and Make Money.

One lot Men's Winter Shoes, all leather, lace and button—\$3.50. One lot Men's Box Calf, double sole, lace and button—\$2.75. Two lots Men's Patent Calf Bluchers and Box Calf Lace—\$2.45. Three lots of Men's and Boys' Patent Leather Dancing Pump, slightly damaged—\$1.50. One lot Boys' School Shoes—\$1.15. 122 Pairs Child's Box Calf and Vel Kid Lace shoes, good strong shoes—\$1.15. 150 Pairs Ladies' Patent Calf and Vel Kid Lace shoes—\$3.50. Four lots Ladies' Box Calf and Vel Kid Lace shoes—\$2.00. 200 Pairs Ladies' Patent Leather Dress Slippers, Louis XV heels, 35 cents—\$1.95.

"PURE AIR" BASEMENT.

New and Interesting Departure in May Company's Store.

"Pure air" in the basement of the May Company's store at Sixth and Washington avenue. It is so called because its windows admit sufficient light from without to enable customers to inspect goods as they pass by.

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BIG NEW STORE FOR GRAND LEADER

Stix, Baer & Fuller Considering Plans for Structure on Lindell Hotel Site.

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DEATH NEAR, BOY WANTED MAMMA

Little Orlando Brewington Refused to Go to Hospital When Told He Would Die.

WAS TRYING NEW SKATES.

Injuries Received in Holding to Wagon Prove Not Serious and He Is Recovering.

Orlando Brewington, the little son of Mrs. E. M. Brewington of 1439 Old Manchester road, who is suffering at his home from injuries due to hanging on a wagon, refused to go to a hospital when he thought he was dying. His demand that he be taken home instead, so that he could see his mother and brother and sister before he died, was complied with.

Orlando and other boys were skating on Manchester avenue, near Talmage avenue, Thursday afternoon. He had a new pair of skates which his father had purchased for him. He was catching hold of a wagon and permitting himself to be drawn along on his skates.

A furniture van came along and he caught hold of it. His foot slipped and went between the spokes. His body was whirled over with the wheel and thrown to the ground in front of the wheel, which passed over his left foot, mashing it severely. His right leg was cut and he was injured under the right arm.

He was unconscious when he was picked up. An ambulance was sent for. Before it came, he recovered consciousness and he was going to die. The man said he was a father and he would die.

"Then I won't go to a hospital," he said, "take me home so I can see mamma and my brother and sister before I die." He was taken home and a doctor was called, but he will not die.

The father of the boy, who is a railroad man, was out on a run when he was hurt.

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When the wind blows strong from the west or northwest or the southwest, it's a lucky man who gets around that corner without losing his "lid." It is not unusual for several hats to be sailing saucily through the air at the same time.

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He did not know what was coming. Just as he reached the corner of the building the wind reached for his hat, picked it off and sailed it toward the river.

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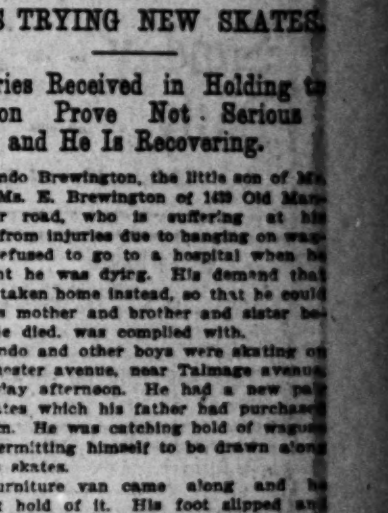
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PRESIDENT WON'T TALK OF MISSOURI DEADLOCK

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—T. J. Akers, Republican national committeeman of Missouri, and Judge Selden P. Spencer of St. Louis, had a talk with President Roosevelt today regarding political matters in their state.

It is said that the senatorial situation was not discussed, the President letting it be understood that he would not permit himself to be drawn into the controversy.

STATEHOOD BILL IS SENT TO CONFERENCE

Prospects for Favorable Legislation This Session Are Greatly Improved.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The House today voted to send the statehood bill to a conference. The bill has been referred to the committee on territories and for a time it looked as though legislation this session was out of the question. Today's action leads to the hope that the two branches may yet get together this term on some mutually acceptable legislation.

DRIVING CLUB'S NEW PLANS.

Dr. Heine Marks Elected President; McNulty Secretary.

Members of the St. Louis Gen. Men's Driving Club are enthusiastic over the prospects for the coming season. At the annual meeting Thursday night, officers were elected and a number of new arrangements for the conduct of the races were mapped out. All the election contests were hard fought, resulting as follows: Dr. Heine Marks, president; Samuel Glueber, vice-president; Thomas Taylor, treasurer, and John S. McNulty, secretary.

Racing will again be conducted on the Waterworks track, but this year the meet will be held on Saturday afternoons instead of Sundays. Programs also will be arranged to apply for membership may address Secretary McNulty, 204 Stoddard street.

BROKERAGE FIRM TO RESUME.

Munroe & Munroe Released From Involuntary Bankruptcy.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Judge Holt, in United States District Court, signed an order yesterday dismissing the involuntary petition in bankruptcy filed against the brokerage firm of Munroe & Munroe.

The order also discharged the temporary receiver, J. Frank Work, and ordered him to return over to the firm all stocks and money of which he had, as receiver, come into possession.

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4 Great Specials

Our \$2.00 and \$2.50 Patent Tip, extension sole or light sole shoes, patent color kid with all the latest heels and the latest laces. Special Saturday.

Boys' Box Calf and Vel Kid Shoes—Blue or black or straight laces. Special Saturday.

Misses' Patent Tip Vel Kid—Extension sole and light sole—mat top uppers or vel kid. Special Saturday.

Men's Satin Calf \$2.00 Shoes—some very well styles—Shoes that will wear. Special Saturday.

WALL PAPER!

10,000 rolls of good Wall Paper, worth 10c, for tomorrow, roll for 9 or 18 in's border to match.

NOVELS! NOVELS!

Choice of 100 different titles. Every Library, handsome photo cover, all popular authors, well worth 10c, this week.

\$6 Jap and Peau de Soie Silk

Waists, \$2.98. We have secured a lot of very fine Jap and Peau de Soie Silk Waists—they come in striped, pleated and some are hand embroidered from—just a waist in this lot bought to sell less than \$6.00—Saturday—\$2.98—as a leader we will sell a limited number for...

\$2 White Linen Waists, 98c

These waists are made of white linen—broad pleated front, newest sleeves—waist that is sold elsewhere for \$2.00—Special—98c.

MEN'S CLOTHING SPECIALS!!

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Biggest West of the Mississippi.

All eyes are on Kansas.

He who would boss the United States must first boss the Congress.

Northwest and Southwest can both trade in St. Louis to their advantage.

The President and the Senate might settle their differences by arbitration.

It is evident that the friends of the iniquitous racetrack gambling law are on guard even in the House.

A COMEDY OF HIGH FINANCE.

If Thomas Lawson, the frenzied author of "Frenzied Finance," had himself written the book and set the stage for the comedy of high finance enacted in the office of the Equitable Insurance Co. the performance would not have been more to his liking, nor would it have more faithfully depicted the story of the "Magic Jimmy," with which the representatives of what he calls the "system" effect an entrance to the treasures of the public.

One rather frivolous young man, through his family holding of a capital stock of \$100,000, controls the Equitable, with its quick assets of \$478,000,000. Ostensibly, the struggle was over the question of mutualizing the company; that is, of giving the policyholders who support it a share in its management and a voice in the disposal of its vast assets and earnings.

In reality, we are told, the bone of contention is not the mutualizing of the company, but the control of the \$478,000,000 of cash and marketable securities which represent great power or money-making opportunity in the financial world. It can be used to promote vast capitalistic deals and projects. Its control assures the control of vast sums deposited in banks and trust companies. With this money shrewdly handled, railroad and industrial combinations may be promoted, floated and unloaded on the public. It brings to its users the control of great railroad systems, the key to the control of monopolized industries. It offers opportunity to manipulate the stock market to the rapid enrichment of its masters, at the expense of the public. It is for this modern Aladdin's lamp that the kings of finance are fighting.

President Alexander, who represents the anti-Hyde faction, touched the core of the matter when he said: "A life insurance company is in no sense a proprietary company. It is not a business conducted by its owners for their personal gain. It is a great and quasi-charitable trust."

Eliminating the charitable element, this may be said of the banks and trust companies which handle the people's money; it may be said of the steam railroads, the street railways and other public utility corporations which exist through the special favor of the public for the purpose of serving the public.

But in the fierce struggle for profit and advantage the men who control these corporations have given little thought to the responsibilities and obligations imposed upon them. From the time of the Credit Mobilier, when Oakes Ames and his associates divided up the rich gifts of the government to the Union Pacific, as private spoil, and attempted to use part of the spoil to corrupt public servants, there has been a rising fever of greed and a lessening sense of moral responsibility on the part of the masters of capital. The history of the railroads has been a story of loot, market juggling, stock watering, discrimination and overcharging.

The history of municipal utilities under private ownership records the shameful abuse of special privileges. Here in St. Louis street railway franchises, obtained by fraud and corruption, consolidated through bribery and twice juggled to fleece the public for syndicate profits, are turned over, with a capitalization of three times their actual value, to a foreign supertrust designed to concentrate the control of public utilities. The history of the United Railways of this city is practically the history of all public utilities in all American cities.

It is only necessary to refer to the financial thimble-rigging in the steel and ship-building trusts and the abuse of power in the oil and best trusts, to show how some leaders of finance and industry have thrown aside all considerations of public responsibility and moral obligation to plunder the public.

Is it any wonder that the people, despoiled through their own grants of privilege and by the use of their own money, begin to doubt the soundness of the present system of finance and industry and to look about for new methods? Is it astonishing that they are losing confidence in individual ownership and control of public utilities and even of general industries, and are trying doubtful experiments in governmental control and supervision as a relief from the madness and dishonesty of men upon whom rest the highest obligations of sanity and honesty? If frenzied reformers mislead the people it will be the fault of the frenzied financiers.

The unusual depth of snow along the big rivers may soon come down to us in a great flood. The levee sentiment on the Illinois side of the Mississippi may be greatly increased this year.

HE ESTATE OF PITTSBURG PHIL.

The inventory of the "estate" left by "Pittsburg Phil" having been completed, it is found to far exceed expectations. He leaves three millions and a half in testimony of what is possible for such "inside knowledge" as is relied on to create millions under monopoly control of racetrack gambling in St. Louis, Chicago and other great American cities.

When the worst parasites under this organized system of swindling on the public face St. Louis courts, the laws of the state stand release them and leave them free to organize millions of sudden wealth under new forms.

This will continue as long as the law allows and no longer, as far as the law allows and no further.

Until the law is supported by the racetrack gambling law is

legally condemned as the crime against the public it actually is, all "insiders" in Missouri have the estate of "Pittsburg Phil" as a substantial and practical testimonial of the certainty of realizing their own hopes of becoming millionaires at the expense of "outsiders."

When the United States shall have the largest navy we shall be so tempted to use it that some one will surely be hurt. Such a navy would mean anything but peace.

MR. ROOSEVELT'S CASE OF NERVES.

President Roosevelt is vastly agitated by fears of another European invasion of the Western Hemisphere.

Over what? Some debts alleged to be due certain Belgian, Italian and French claimants by the San Dominicans.

President Roosevelt says the Monroe doctrine is at stake. From his state of alarm it might almost seem as though he had some secret information that Belgium was sending her immense navy to annex San Domingo right under our nose.

Three years ago President Roosevelt would not have been so seriously alarmed. In his first message to Congress, Dec. 3, 1901, he declared: "We do not ask under this doctrine for any exclusive commercial dealings with any other American states. We do not guarantee any state against punishment if it misconduct itself, provided that punishment does not take the form of acquisition of territory by any non-American power."

This is the essence of the Monroe doctrine. But President Roosevelt has traveled far since he wrote these words. The wonder is that the United States has been free from foreign attack and that the Western Hemisphere has been protected against European encroachments during all these 80 years, while foreign nations have collected the debts due their citizens and "got out," as Germany did in Venezuela, since Mr. Cleveland has been President.

It was not until this late day that a President, infatuated with the idea of the big stick and great navy, thought it necessary to supplant the Monroe doctrine with the Roosevelt doctrine of overlordship toward the friendly nations, "whose independence," said Mr. Monroe, "we have on great consideration and just principles acknowledged."

St. Louis has a new and clever society leader, whose acquaintance you may make through the Sunday Post-Dispatch Magazine. The illustrated interview with him, on the first page, shows him to be a man broad enough for the West and correct enough in his ideas for any social center. There is nothing of the silly or "smart set" in his makeup, as here set forth. This issue of the Sunday Magazine is rich in matters of interest to women. Girls who get their pictures into the news columns of the press would do well to read the illustrated page showing how clever rascals take advantage of publicity of this sort to deceive women. The women of our humane society say St. Louis is the cruelest city in the world. After reading the page article on this subject, write your views on it. Is it true? Do not the humane workers in other cities say the same thing in regard to other places? The page showing that an increasing number of women prefer to dress as men is provocative of thought. Do you know of any cases of this kind? Why do women act in this way? There are a number of highly informing articles in this Magazine, such as the description of the greatest levee in the world, to be built near St. Louis; Famous Diamonds and How They Were Discovered; a railroad to run over the sea; Mrs. Rathbone Kent's department of information; the page of New and Strange Things, etc. It is a Magazine that is up to date in every respect, carefully adapted to the home and fire-side and forming an integral part of the great Sunday Post-Dispatch, which, with its world-wide news service, fiction and comic departments, represents the acme of newspaper creation.

HEROES' MEMORIAL IN ST. LOUIS.

If it is to serve best the uses for which it is designed the soldiers' and sailors' memorial building should be erected in St. Louis.

St. Louis is the center of Missouri population and every Missourian frequently or infrequently visits the city. The memorial, if located here, can be enjoyed by all the people of the state. Moreover, the collections of the Loyal Legion, the Grand Army, Confederate Veterans and other historical and patriotic societies will most probably be placed in this building. These consist of interesting and historically valuable relics of the war, mementos of a great national transaction. Surely, they should not be sent where their educational worth would be less than the highest.

It is hoped that the Legislature will take this view. Nearly half a million dollars returned to the state from the general government is to be appropriated for the memorial. No irreparable mistake should be made in disposing of such a fund.

POST-DISPATCH ANSWERS.

Legal questions not answered. Business addresses not given. No bats decided. Write but one question. Sign but one letter. Address all questions, "Answers," Post-Dispatch, City. Use postal cards if convenient.

JAKE.—Ask steamship offices.

P. J. K.—Easton avenue called, March 7.

T. B. V.—Nashville, Tenn. night, March 7.

O. B.—See civil service, old postoffice.

H. V. W.—Roosevelt is not a millionaire.

R. R. B.—Pickwick Theater seats about 600.

ANXIOUS.—Office temperature should be 70.

X.—"Refractionist," one versed in refraction.

MRS. C. B. B.—Pumice stone will remove fuzz.

X. Y. Z.—Philippines were a race from Crete or Egypt who fought the Israelites. A blind adherent to conventional ideas, or one given to money-making, or any ruthless enemy, is called a Philistine.

Z.—Tussock for theaters, informal dinners, informal evening entertainments. For ball full dress, awajaw-tail, with white tie, standing collar with full dress; black tie with tuxedo; shirt studs, pearl.

A.—For itching scalp and dandruff, egg shampoo once a week for a month. Apply this tonic, night and morning: 40 grains quinine dissolved in a quart of bay rum containing a half cup of fine table salt.

ADA.—Wet the finger tips in a good wrinkle cream. Pass them lightly over the forehead wrinkles, rubbing across the lines, not in the creases. If you rub directly into the furrows you will make them deeper.

RAY.—Rubber plant should have sunny window—no sunlight. Water abundantly once a week, washing leaves well. Water ordinarily once in same time. Once a month work a tablespoonful of castor oil into the earth—once too near the plant.

E. NESBITT AND EAST SIDE READER.—Standard dictionary says: "Half-brother, having a different father or mother; a brother related through only one parent. Step-brother, the son of one's stepmother or stepfather by a former marriage." Thanks for the correction.

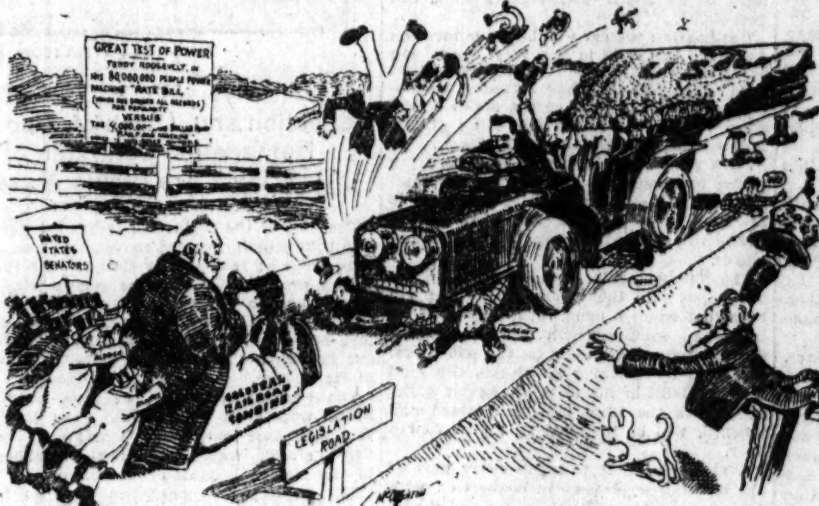
EVENTS OF THE DAY IN CLEVER CARTOONS.

"FETCH IT ALONG AND I'LL SIT ON THAT, TOO"



From the New York Herald.

WHEN AN IRRESISTIBLE FORCE MEETS AN IMMOVABLE BODY.



From the Chicago Tribune.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS FROM TODAY IN ST. LOUIS

BY O. B. JOYFUL.

(From the Post-Dispatch of Feb. 17, 1905.)

A subscriber who signs himself R. Love sends us the following communication:

In looking over a lot of discarded books I own I came across one entitled "Rank Rhythms," the author of which is T. K. Hedrick, a poet and humorist who had quite a vogue a quarter of a century ago. I think you will agree with me that Mr. Hedrick is nothing if not startling in his comparisons. We have nothing like his similes today, and if for nothing more than as a curiosity I would suggest that you reproduce the following verses written by him, evidently to his best gift, when nobody was looking:

HER HAIR.

When to sing of hair I choose,
Give me hair as red as roses:
Red as roses—yes, that's the color,
And I never will praise a duller!

I love hair in which the light
Lies to linger—hair as bright
As the gleaming beams of morning,
The one head I love adorning.

Tresses which, as red as liquor,
Like it make the heart beat quicker,
Spurring on the lagging pulses,
Till the spirit it convulses.

Give me red! For gleaming tresses
My enraptured soul confesses
Administration warm—oh, very!
Yes, a love extraordinary.

You will say, I think, that nothing quite so wild as Mr. Hedrick's comparison of his man's hair to a level of roses is to be found anywhere in contemporary literature. I would be pleased if you would publish his verses as an example, or a warning, whenever you choose to call it, to the present generation of poets. Yours truly, R. LOVE.

We are not certain, but it strikes us that this correspondent must be Robertus Love, once secretary of the American Press Humorists and an associate of Hedrick, the case, and if Mr. Hedrick thinks it worth while to sue Mr. Love for dam age for digging up the dark past, we know a good lawyer to whom we can refer him.

Those Billboards.

A walk through Washington street from Market street south is a complete education in crime. Here is a catalogue of the art exhibition seen on the billboards of that thoroughfare last Saturday.

1. A lady choking a gentleman in an automobile.

2. A gentleman pointing a pistol at a man in a sack bed.

3. A gentleman in an automobile shooting over the dashboard at another gentleman.

4. A man whipping an old woman with a rawhide.

5. A colored woman beating a young lady over the head with a washtub.

6. The devil stabbing a gentleman between the shoulder blades.

7. An old man stabbing another man in the back.

8. A strong man dashing a wicked man to the ground.

9. A man threatening a woman with a dagger.

10. A crowd of gymnast girls pointing pistols at each other.

All of these works of art were life-size and vivid.—Newark (N. J.) News.

NEW YORK NEWSPAPER VIEWS

This Morning's Comments on Today's News by the Leading Metropolitan Journals.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—And there stands good old Missouri! is the spirit even a New York World editorial today in discussing the proposed constitutional amendment to authorize the Legislature to enact a graduated income tax in Missouri.

"Similar action for the amendment of the federal constitution," says the World, "should have been taken immediately after the Supreme court, through a mysterious reversal of its own decision, nullified the income tax passed as a part of the Wilson tariff and revenue bill."

"This is the most just and least burdensome of taxes. It conforms strictly to a cardinal rule of equitable taxation—to impose taxes for the support of the government with a view (1) to benefits received; (2) to ability to pay."

"England, France and Germany find an income tax not difficult to collect and simplest and most easily adjustable of all the sources of revenue. Properly it should be a federal tax here, as it would enable the government to abolish taxes upon necessities which now press unequally upon the poor and it would avoid difficulties in the way of state action."

"But as an amendment to the federal constitution is very hard to secure, the states that are not ruled by plutocracy might do well to follow the example of Missouri."

Russia is threatened with an epidemic of cholera. The Russians seem determined to get something that the Japanese won't try to take from them.—The Journal.

Friend of Shoemakers.
Under the caption "Footnotes" the Sun says: "The boot and shoe trade regrets the coming retirement of 'Garden Sane' Cockrell, of Missouri from the United States Senate. Senator Cockrell is the only senator, according to the footwear census of the Shoe Retailer, who wears old-fashioned cowhide boots. He has never changed the style of his boots since he entered the Senate, and all these thirty years his breeches have been just short enough to advertise the fact. An old friend of the shoemakers is the cowhide boot."

President Castro seems to want to be his own Supreme court as well as his own Congress.—Tribune.

"Two ciphers in the Senate" is the way the Press goes for certain distinguished Missourians. It says: "If it is true that 25 Niedringhaus men have formed a compact on the oath-bound St. Louis boodle plan to stick out against the election of anyone but Niedringhaus, the country ought to cheer that news. This means that Missouri will not be misrepresented by the man whose claims of 'long descent' and birth in Missouri are nearly his sole qualifications to a United States senatorship, and it means, also, that Dick Kereans will not be added to the long list of representatives of special privilege in the United States Senate."

"The prospects are bright that Missouri and Delaware will be each represented in the Senate."

Senator Stewart said that much of the fresh meat used in Washington hotels is five years old and even senators each much impure food. That perhaps accounts for some of the queer legislation.—Telegram.

The Times says the important thing about the San Domingo treaty is that it is "logical and necessary." It substitutes our friendly offices for European ships of war. It accomplishes the object of the policy declared in the Monroe doctrine. It enables us to take measures to guarantee our peace and safety—which is the primary object of Monroe's declaration. The undertaking in San Domingo is required of us by decency."

Complaint is made that many persons are illegally held in the Tomba. Maybe, but look at the number that ought to be in there and are not.—Telegram.

Those Cold Waves.

One cold wave, as the bard hath said,
Upon another's heels doth tread.
We hardly spend the parting guest
Before his brother from the west
Has slipped, 'n ere the door was shut
And handed us an uppercut.

—Chicago News.

The Philosopher of Folly.

How many people think they're good because they've done no crime;
How many think they've won success who merely didn't fail;
How many who're interrupted think their virtue is sublime,
And that'll they go to heaven because they haven't gone to jail!

—Cleveland Leader.

WASHINGTON DAY BY DAY.

Humor of the News of the Capital Gathered by Post-Dispatch Correspondents.

By Wire From the Washington Bureau of the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17.—Representative service commissioner, said President Roosevelt at luncheon the other day, "I served part of the time with those two distinguished gentlemen, Commissioners Lyman and Johnson."

"Johnson was a southerner, and he used to terrify us at times. It was his custom to carry a sword cane and a pistol, and he would bang them down on the table and say: 'Now, let's get down to business.'"

"I am reminded of a case that came before us one day, the case of a letter carrier who was accused of assault and battery."

"What's this?" roared Johnson. "What's this? Assault and battery? I'm for him. I'm for him. I have been accused of assault and battery with intent to kill, and I'm for him."

"Really it was quite embarrassing," the President continued. "I could not go to the floor among the applicants with him, for his people would have commended him and mine would have condemned me. Still I was prepared. Each day when I went to the table with him to discuss matters of official routine I placed before me a large, square glass inkstand. It was always ready. The ink would have confused him, had it been necessary to throw the inkstand, and the corners were angular, were angular, gentlemen."

A distinguished southern statesman tarried long with convivial friends a fewarturoes ago. When it came time for him to go to dinner, he was somewhat untidy, but very dignified.

He said as soon as he sat down at his table in the hotel dining room that it would be necessary for him to do something to divert his wife's suspicion and he asked on the appearance of another and equally distinguished southern statesman, who had been with him all the afternoon, as a topic of conversation.

"Isn't it a shame," he asked, as the other statesman hove his way to his seat at the next table, "isn't it a shame that the judge drinks? I am very sorry to see it. It pains me much."

His remarks attracted attention and his wife, knowing she must say something, leaned over and remarked, "Is it possible that the judge has been drinking?"

"My dear," said the statesman, summing up all his will power and drawing himself up in his chair, "is it possible that you can not tell when a man has been drinking?"

When Representative Hearst of New York charged Representative Sullivan of Massachusetts in the House today with having been a party to a homicide, there was not much excitement.

"Kinder dangerous to make that sort of a charge, ain't it?" asked a southern member of his neighbor. "If it is proved that Sullivan has a notch in his gun the President may make an ambassador of him."


A Thought for the Day.

"Thy love shall chant its own beautiful After its own life working. A child's kiss set on thy stinging lips shall make thee glad."

A poor man served by thee shall make thee rich;
A sick man helped by thee shall make thee strong;
Thou shalt be served thyself by every one of service which thou renderest."

—John Burroughs.

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This image shows a blank, aged, cream-colored page, likely an endpaper or flyleaf of a book. The paper has a slightly textured appearance with some minor creases and discoloration, characteristic of old paper. The left edge of the page is bound into a dark, possibly black or dark brown, cover material. The overall lighting is even, highlighting the subtle variations in the paper's tone and texture.

TRUST'S CUT IN PROFITS DUE TO FEAR OF PEOPLE

Wall Street Believes Shrinking of Dividends of Standard Oil Company Indicates Monopoly Is Afraid of Public.

KANSANS JOYFUL OVER ORDERS TO INVESTIGATE.

Bookefeller Forces Now Fighting Bill at Topeka Which Makes Oil Pipe Line Companies Common Carriers.

By Leased Wire From the New York Bureau of the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—As public clamor against the Standard Oil Co. has increased, and as there has been manifested a growing disposition on the part of the federal government to take action in the way of investigation, dividends have gone down.

The dividend declared yesterday was 15 per cent upon the capitalization of \$100,000,000. For the corresponding quarter last year the dividend was 16 per cent.

The price of refined oil has not been reduced, while the price of crude oil has not been advanced in proportion. The stock is steadily increasing in value, selling today at about \$50 a share, the par value of which is \$100.

With Standard Oil dividends shrinking, Wall street sees only one reason. The astute managers of the monopoly are afraid of the people.

From 1881 to 1893 the Standard Oil Co. paid dividends of \$12,000,000 a year. Then came an enormous jump and since that time the dividends declared annually have been as follows:

In 1893, \$31,000,000; 1894, \$33,000,000; 1895, \$35,000,000; 1896, \$37,000,000; 1897, \$39,000,000; 1898, \$41,000,000; 1899, \$43,000,000; 1900, \$45,000,000; 1901, \$47,000,000; 1902, \$49,000,000; 1903, \$51,000,000; 1904, \$53,000,000.

Wall street expects that the dividend for 1905 will be considerably below \$50,000,000. The power of the concrete board of directors to fix dividends at any figure it pleases is absolute. The next quarterly dividend may be as low as 5 per cent.

The dividend figures that are given to the public show that from 1881 to 1904 the Standard Oil capital of \$100,000,000 paid dividends amounting to \$468,000,000. In other words the select little coterie of insiders who control Standard Oil drew down four times as much as their ostensible investment in 23 years.

Joy Among Kansans.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—There is great joy among Kansans today over the decision to investigate the Standard Oil Co. Representative Campbell of that state is particularly pleased, for it was he who described to President Roosevelt conditions in the Kansas oil fields so graphically that he forthwith ordered Commissioner Garfield to begin a general investigation.

In view of the ruin caused by the Standard Oil Co. in boycotting the Kansas field, the President feels that the government will be able to make a criminal case against the trust. Commissioner Garfield shares this view.

Special agents of the bureau of corporations will immediately begin the investigation. Agents already have made preliminary investigation of some of the Standard Oil plants.

It required almost a year to complete the Beef Trust investigation, and officials of the bureau of corporations do not expect that the Standard Oil investigation can be made in much less time.

Trust Continues Fight.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 17.—Standard Oil agents, having failed to beat the state refinery bill, are now fighting the bill which makes oil pipe line companies common carriers. Without such a law the state would have difficulty in transporting oil to the refinery. Friends of the bill believe they will have 30 votes. There were 50 for the refinery.

It has been decided to start a case in the supreme court to test the validity of the state refinery act. The state auditor will refuse to register the \$100,000 bonds provided for the construction and operation of the refinery. The attorney-general will then begin a mandamus suit to compel him to do so. Gov. Hoch, it is believed, will sign the bill for the state refinery.

A constitutional convention may be called to broaden the powers of the legislature, so that it can more effectively fight the oil trust. Little thinking at trust, particularly those dealing with oil, have met with so many objections on constitutional grounds that a sentiment in favor of a new constitution meeting the situation has sprung up.

Along with its fight on oil, Kansas is making war on those who would pipe gas out of the state. The House today passed a bill to regulate the mode of procuring and transporting natural gas. Unlike the oil legislation, which seeks to make a market for that product, the gas measure is intended to restrict the sale of gas. Kansas wants the gas saved for use in its own industries, and to guard it a protective association has been formed.

WATSON TRIAL ARGUMENTS ON

Fourteen Hours Have Been Allowed for the Pleadings in the Case.

NEW LONDON, Mo., Feb. 17.—Arguments in the trial of Dr. T. J. Watson were resumed when the case was called at 8:15 this morning, and will continue throughout the day and probably a good portion of tomorrow, 14 hours having been allowed for the court for the pleadings, each side getting seven hours.

The opening speech for the prosecution was made by Attorney J. W. Hays who scathingly denounced the defendant as a cold and calculating plotter who would let nothing stand in his way once he sought to gratify an ambition.

The motives suggested by Mr. Hays were the securing of the \$12,500 insurance on the life of his wife, and the inheritance for another woman. He declared Mrs. Watson's death was not due to drowning, but to morphine poisoning.

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BLOW FOR CULLOM IN A DIRECT VOTE

Illinois Committee Reports on Bill for Electing United States Senators by People.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 17.—The election of United States senators by a direct vote of the people is the cause of the latest sensation in the Forty-fourth Assembly of Illinois.

The administration's direct primary bill was ordered reported out by the House committee on primary elections, and it is this measure that contains a clause providing for the nomination and election of the two United States senators by a direct vote. The passage of the bill, it is thought by many, will sound the political death knell of Senator Shelby M. Cullom, whose term expires in two years.

Another interpretation placed upon the unexpected action of the committee is that the amendment may be the first step toward the severance of the Deane-Yates alliance.

FIRST GREAT KING OF FINANCE DEAD

Jay Cooke, Who Handled Most of Civil War Bonds, Dies of Infirmities.

OGONTZ, Pa., Feb. 17.—Jay Cooke, America's greatest financier during the period immediately following the Civil war, died here at 10 o'clock last night. He was 64 years old and death was due to infirmities after an illness of less than 24 hours. Monday night Mr. Cooke gave a dinner for students at Ogontz Seminary and seemed in the best of health and spirits. Jay Cooke was born in Sandusky, O., and began business life as clerk in a bank. Later he became partner in the banking firm of E. W. Clark & Co. of Philadelphia. He founded the banking house of Jay Cooke & Co. in 1869 and handled the larger part of the \$200,000,000 of bonds issued by the United States during the Civil war. After the war he financed many large enterprises, including the building of the Northern Pacific Railroad. During the depression of 1873 the firm failed, and though Cooke later made a new fortune, he never regained his old position in the financial world.

TWO IN FAMILY DIE CARING FOR OTHERS

Death Found Daughter Caring for Mother-in-Law, Now Her Mother Dies.

Mrs. Elizabeth Carter, wife of George J. Carter, lieutenant of engine company No. 25, died Jan. 27 of illness contracted in nursing her husband's mother, Mrs. Ellen Carter, who had died the preceding week. Mrs. Katherine Tighe, mother of the younger Mrs. Carter, nursed her daughter during this illness, and now she also has died from pneumonia, with which she was attacked during her service of love as her daughter's nurse, her death taking place Thursday afternoon. The funeral of Mrs. Tighe will take place from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Tighe, 6130 Suburban avenue, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the services being held at St. Rose's Church, Hamilton and Eitel avenues, the interment taking place in Calvary cemetery. Mrs. Tighe was 62 years old.

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BURNS FATAL TO SMALL BOY

Robert Dowling, Who Upset Boiling Water on Himself in Play, Dies.

Robert Dowling, the 4-year-old child of Louis Dowling of 230 North Third street, East St. Louis, who was scalded Wednesday at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Mollie Flannery, 1277 Warne avenue, died Friday morning. The boy was playing in the kitchen Wednesday morning and accidentally turned over a pan of boiling water, which scalded him. His injuries were treated immediately by Dr. Knig of 2123 East Warne avenue.

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GOLDEN SECRET IN HIS GRAVE

Gathered by the Grim Reaper While Telling Location of Rich Mine.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 17.—In the very act of revealing the location of a rich gold mine to a friend, John Smith, an aged prospector, suddenly expired, and his secret may never be known. For years Smith was the possessor of a rich placer claim, of which he alone knew the location. He was in the habit of going into the Cascades occasionally, from which he would return with at least \$200 in gold dust. Of late he had become very feeble, and, realizing that the death angel was beckoning to him, Smith tried to tell his secret. As he gasped for breath his friend eagerly listened for those precious words. "It is five miles from the branch of the three elk trails," he whispered, "and— Never again did he speak for the spark of life was extinguished and "Jack" Smith lay cold and stiff in death.

HONOR LINCOLN'S CENTENNIAL

Missouri Congressman Has Plan for Celebrating Anniversary. WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—Representative Bartholdt of Missouri introduced a concurrent resolution today providing for a joint commission of five senators and five representatives to prepare a plan for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, Feb. 12, 1809. The commission is to report to the next Congress before Dec. 20, 1908.

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